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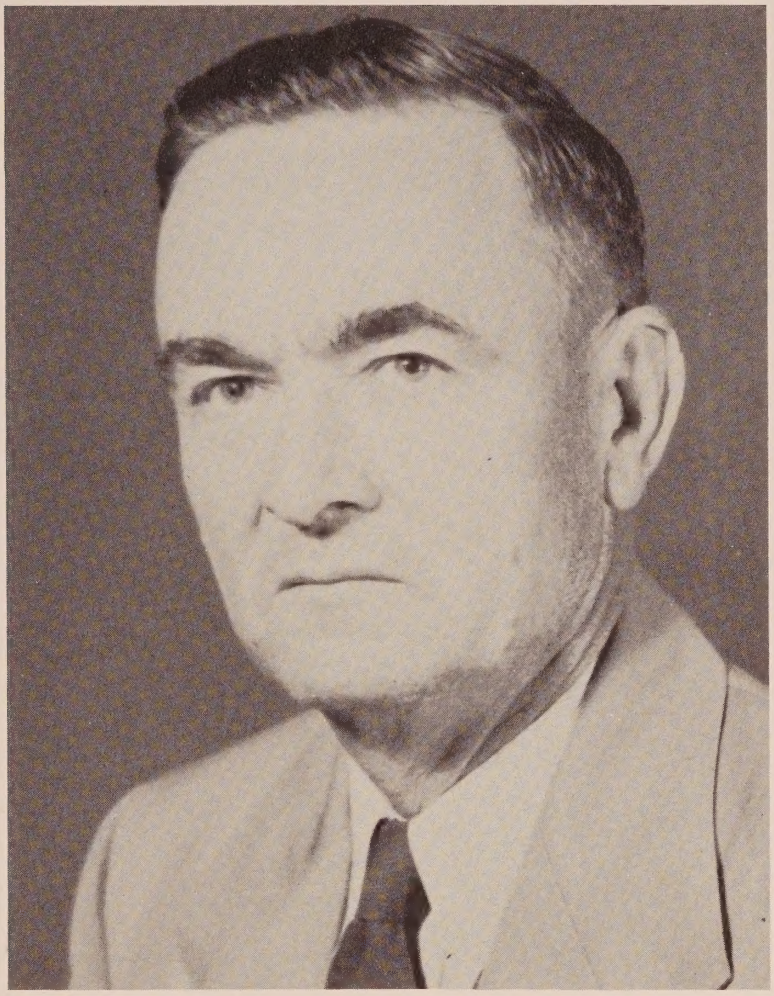
MR. AROL HUDSON
To Mr. Arol Hudson we dedicate the 1958
Jacket Buzz.

This is but a small token of our appreciation for the work he has done toward making Vernon High a symbol of good sportsmanship, scholarship, and citizenship.

The class of 1958 will remember his efforts, we sincerely hope that he contimes to be the inspiration to future seniors that he has been to us.

As One Who Serves



MR. FITZHUGH CARTER

After twenty-seven years of continuous service in Washington County schools, Mr. Carter retired in the spring of 1957.

In 1930 he began this remarkable career in a fifth grade classroom in Vernon elementary school, from which he was sent to the junior high school for one year. The next three years he was principal of the old one-teacher Greenhead school, afterward coming back to Vernon for four years as assistant principal. Then followed one year as principal in Duncan and five as principal in Wausau.

In 1946 he came back to Vernon to teach in the junior high school for three years. Then after one year as principal at Pleasant Grove, he took over one section of the sixth grade in Vernon, where he remained until his retirement.

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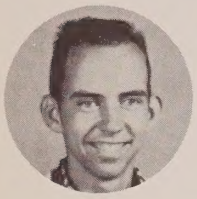

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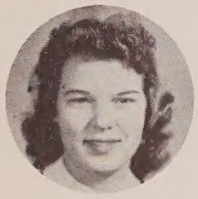

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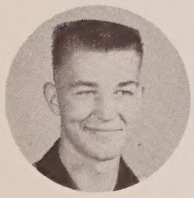

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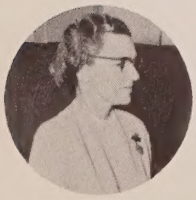

LOTTIE M. DYKES
Advisor

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YOUR TREASURE CHEST

Make for yourself a treasure
chest,
But not for gems and gold---
Fill it with things more rose
and fine.
Into it place your kindly
thoughts,
Of friends whom you hold dear,
The classes, the teachers, the
happy hours,
That fill your life with cheer.
And then if dark days come
along,
And your bright prospects mar,
Open your treasure chest and
see
How very rich you are!!

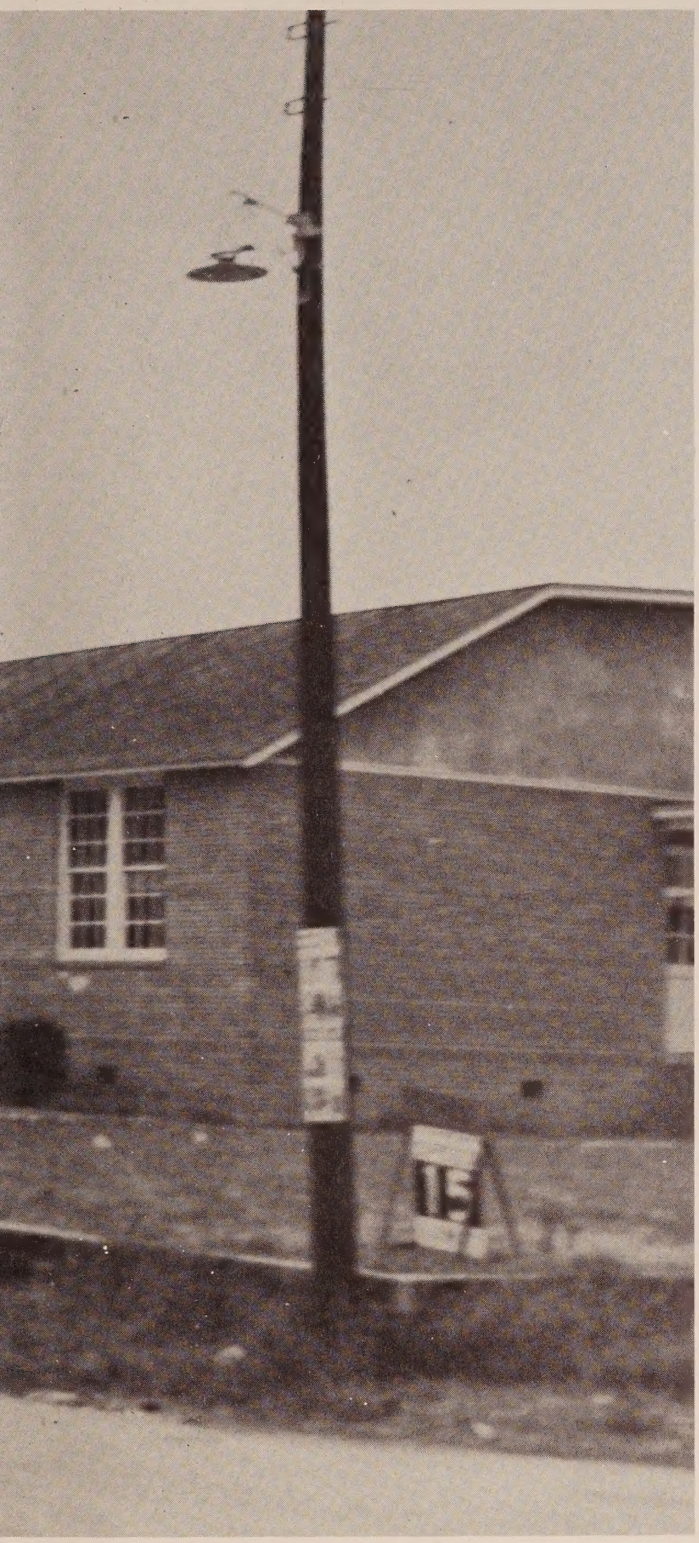
Vernon's High School Building

"On the city's western border" stand the hallowed halls of Vernon High School. Many students have left these halls endowed with a greater knowledge of the world around them. Here they have been taught the fundamentals, as well as how to cope with their problems.

This is the main building or entrance. In it are the library, science lab, and office. This history, English, mathematics, and commercial departments are also here.

The main part of the building was constructed in 1931-32. This was then a high school campus only. In 1947 it was combined with the elementary school.

As we tour the rest of the campus, we would like to remind you that a lot of hard work has been done on the buildings as well as inside them. Please be careful for these halls are revered by many.

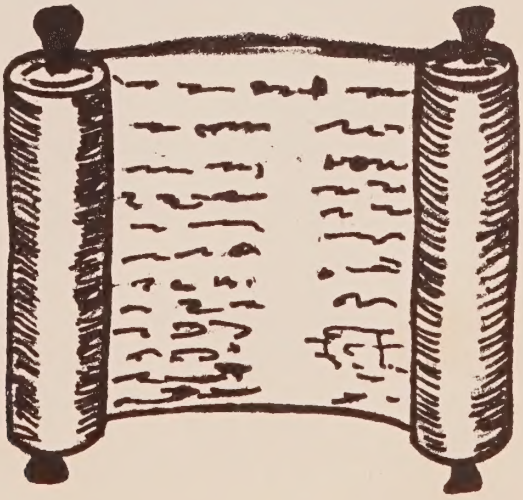


SCROLL

Memory is when you look back
and the answers float in
to who? what? when? where?

The members who were there then
are repeated on a screen
are recalled on a scroll
are moved in a miniature drama,
are collected and recollected
for actions, speeches, silences,
set forth by images of the mind
and made in a mingling mist
to do again and to do over
precisely what they did do once--
this is a memory--
Sometimes slurred and blurred--
this is remembering--
Sometimes wrecking the images
and proceeding again to reconstruct
what happened and how,
the many little involved answers
to who? what? when? where?
and more involved than any
how? how?

Carl Sandburg



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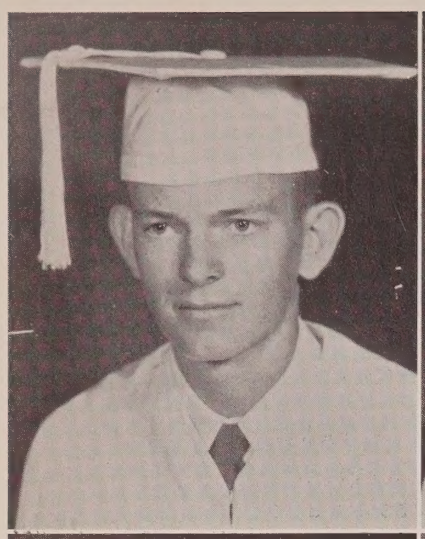
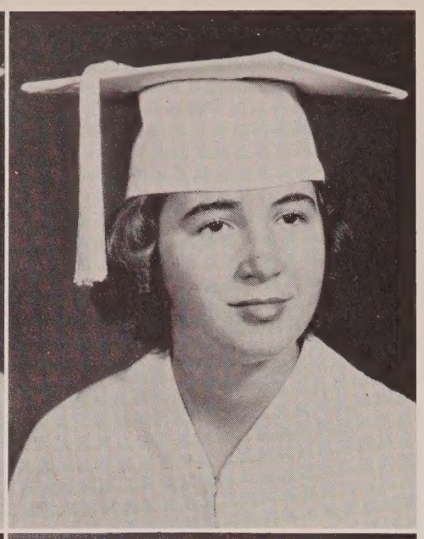
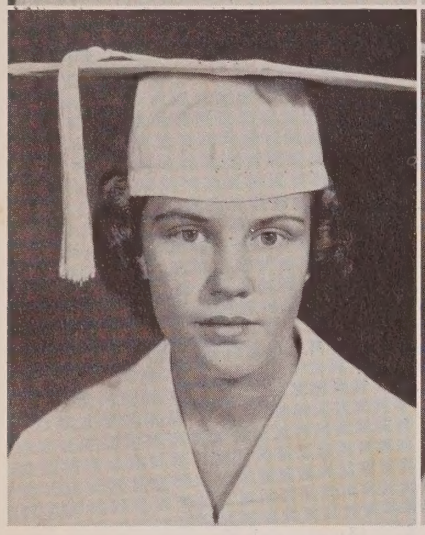
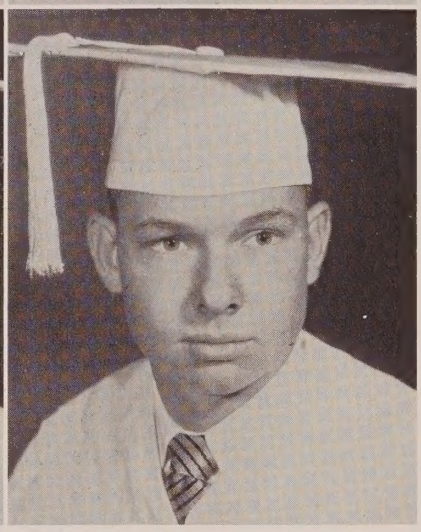








OLIVER CLYDE HOOD

Blonde hair...Blue eyes...Likes a pretty girl... Good student...Future engineer.
Student Council 3, 4; FFA State Farmers Degree 3; FFA 1, 2, 3, 4; 4-H 1, 2, 3, 4; FFA Secretary 3; Parliamentarian Junior Class 3; 4-H President 1, 2, 3, 4; 4-H County Council, Vice President 2; Science Club 4; 4-H Judging Team 1, 2.

MARY NELL WOODHAM

Brown eyes...Nice...Hard worker...Friendly... Future hair stylist.
Glee Club 1, 3, 4; Devotional Club 1, 2; Dramatic Club 3; President FTA 4.

GRETLE McADAMS

Petite...Friendly...Unconcerned...Likes boys... Wants to join Air Force.
FHA 1, 2, 3; Library Club 4; Dramatics Club 4; Junior Play 3; Art Club 2.

ALVIE EUGENE PIPPIN

Good natured...Willing worker...An asset to any class...Plans to do construction work after graduation.
FFA 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 3, 4; Junior Play 3; King 2, 4; Science Club 2, 4.

NINA JANE BROCK

Slim...Talkative...Unconcerned...Undecided about boys...Future typist.
FHA 2, 3, 4; FTA 4; 4-H 1, 2; Glee Club 1; Library Club 4; Queen 2; BTU Secretary 2, 3, 4.

EDWIN ELI CARTER

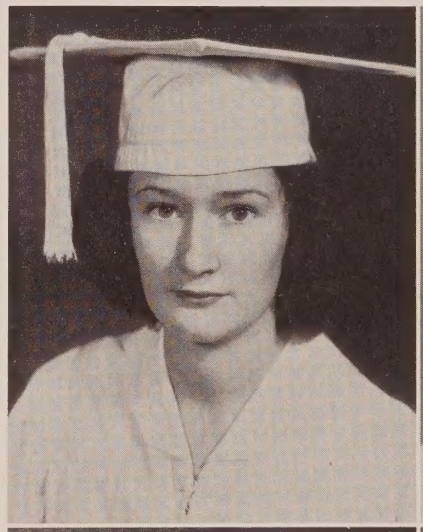
Loyal...Individualistic...Swell pal...Athletic... Hopes to be a barber.
Football 3, 4; FFA 1, 2, 3, 4; FFA String Band 1, 2, 3; Softball 1, 2, 3; Science Club 1, 2; V-Club 3, 4.

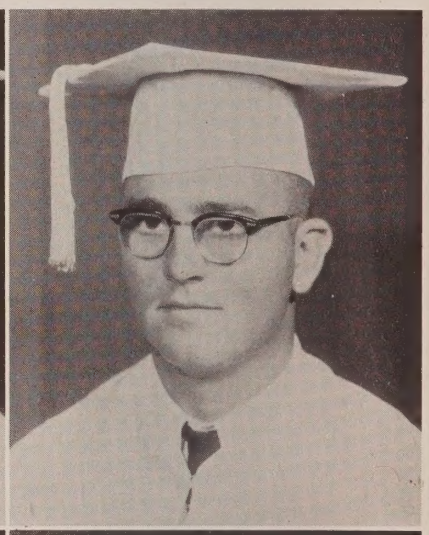
JANICE BRUNER

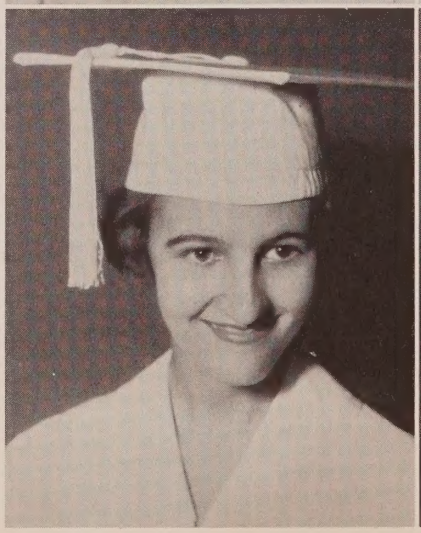
Blond...Petite...Vivacious...Accommodating... Future telephone operator.
FHA 1, 2; Dramatics Club 3; 4-H 1, 2; Band 1, 2, 3, 4.

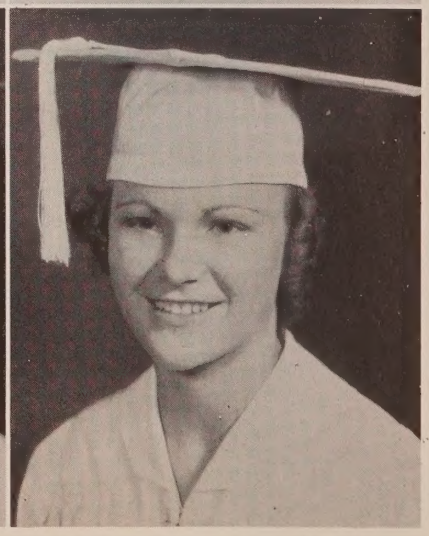
LILLIAN LUVERN HADDOCK

Cheerful...Helpful...Good student...Wants to make the good better and the better best.
FHA 1, 3; Library 1, Music Club 3; Glee Club 1, 3; Devotional Club 1, 4; 4-H 1; FTA 4; Dramatics 3, 4; Band 3, Junior Play 3.









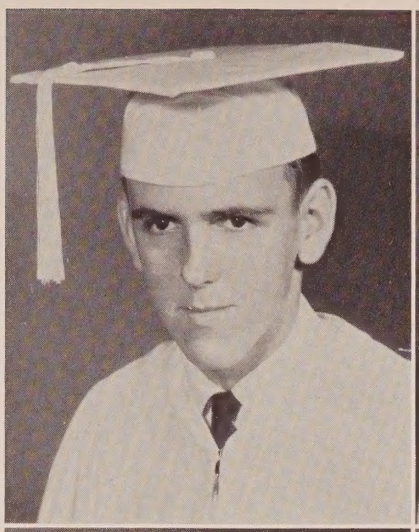
Class

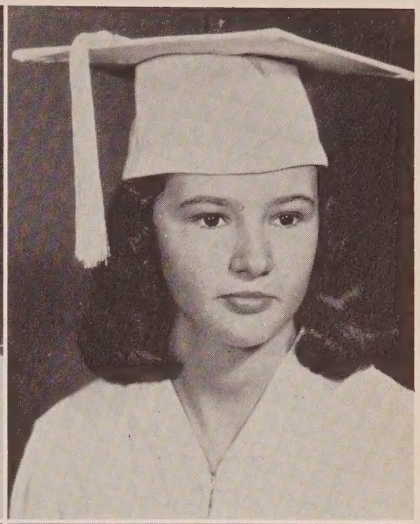
WILLIAM THOMAS HAMMOND

Good teammate...Serious about a certain girl... Ambitious...Assured...Wants to be a law officer.
Football 3, 4; Baseball 3, 4; Basketball 2; V-Club 4.

BERTHA REA HAMMOCK

Conscientious...Willing to lend a helping hand... Efficient...Future typist.
FHA 1, 2, 4, 5; FTA 2; Paper Staff 3, 4; Class Treasurer 4; Library 2; Student Council 4.



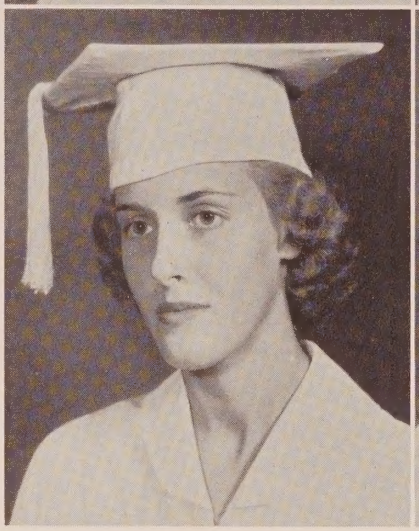


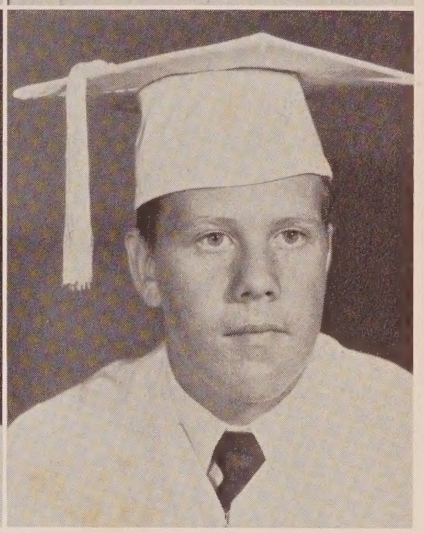
LORETTA TILLER COOK

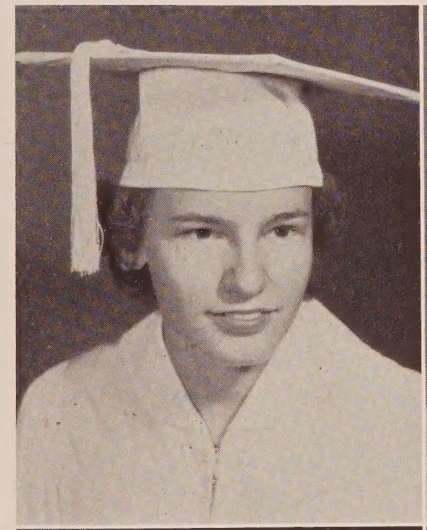
Considerate...Helpful...Good student...Wants to be a secretary.
FHA 1, 3; FTA 2; Paper Staff 3, 4; Secretary-Treasurer 2; MYF 1, 2, 3.

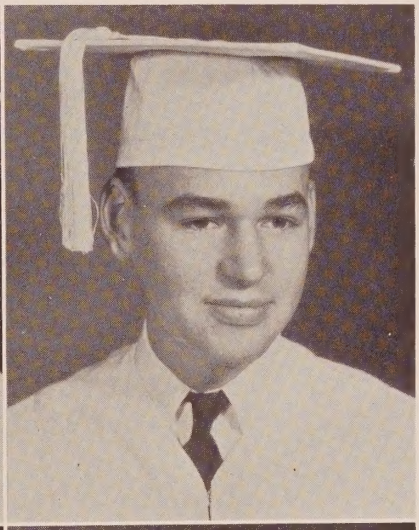
LARRY ALVIN MORRELL

Amazing personality...Witty...Ambitious... Intelligent...Interested in science...Plans to be a biologist.
Football 4; Baseball 4; FFA 1.







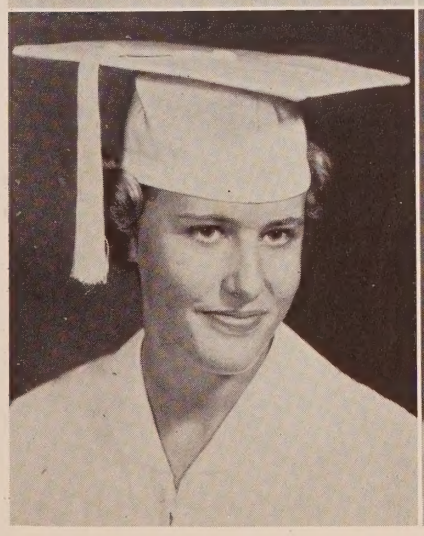


JEAN TAYLOR COOK

Quiet...Petite...Sweet personality...Wants to be a typist.
FHA 1, 2, 3; FTA 2; Vice President 2.

EDWIN BAILEY

Talkative...Yankee accent...Unique...Will join Air Force soon.
Science Club 4; FFA 2, 3, 4; FFA Vice President 4; Glee Club 2, 3; Junior Play 3; Yearbook 2, 3.



VERDELL FINCH

Blond hair, blue eyes...Likes a certain boy... Good student...Wants to be a secretary.
Art Club.

EDNA IMOGENE SHAW

Short...Brown hair...Full of fun..."Never a worry"...Wishes to be a nurse.
FHA 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Dramatics Club 1, 2, 3; Reporter and Camera 3; Junior Play 3.

ANNA JO ADKINS

Long blond hair...Unpredictable...Fun...Wants to be a physical education teacher.

Band 1, 2, 3, 4; FHA 1, 2; Dramatics Club 3, 4; Music Club 1, 2, 3; Junior Play 3; Sunday School Teacher 2, 3.

ELAINE COOK TILLER

Tall, slender blond...Hopes to be a good secretary (and wife!).

FHA 1, 3; 4-H 1, 2, 3; Devotional Club 1, 2; Glee Club 1, 2.

BENJAMIN WICKER

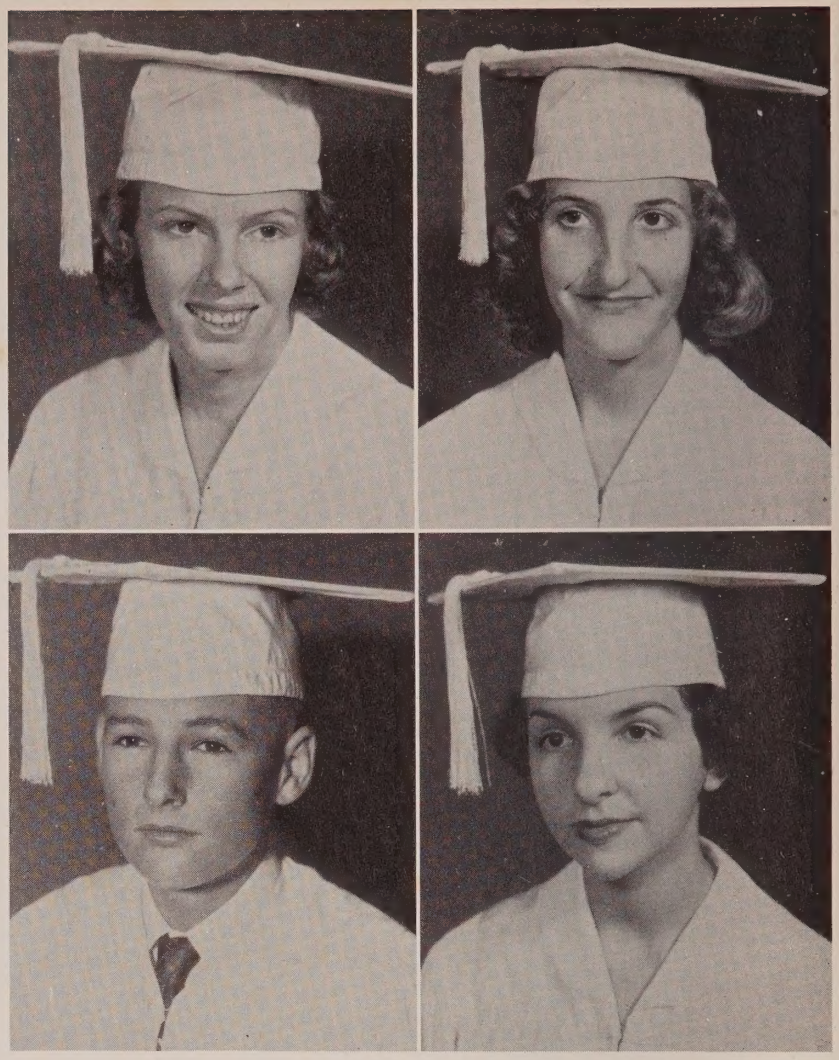
Mischievous...Friendly...Interested principally in agriculture...Fun loving...Plans to enter the Air Force.

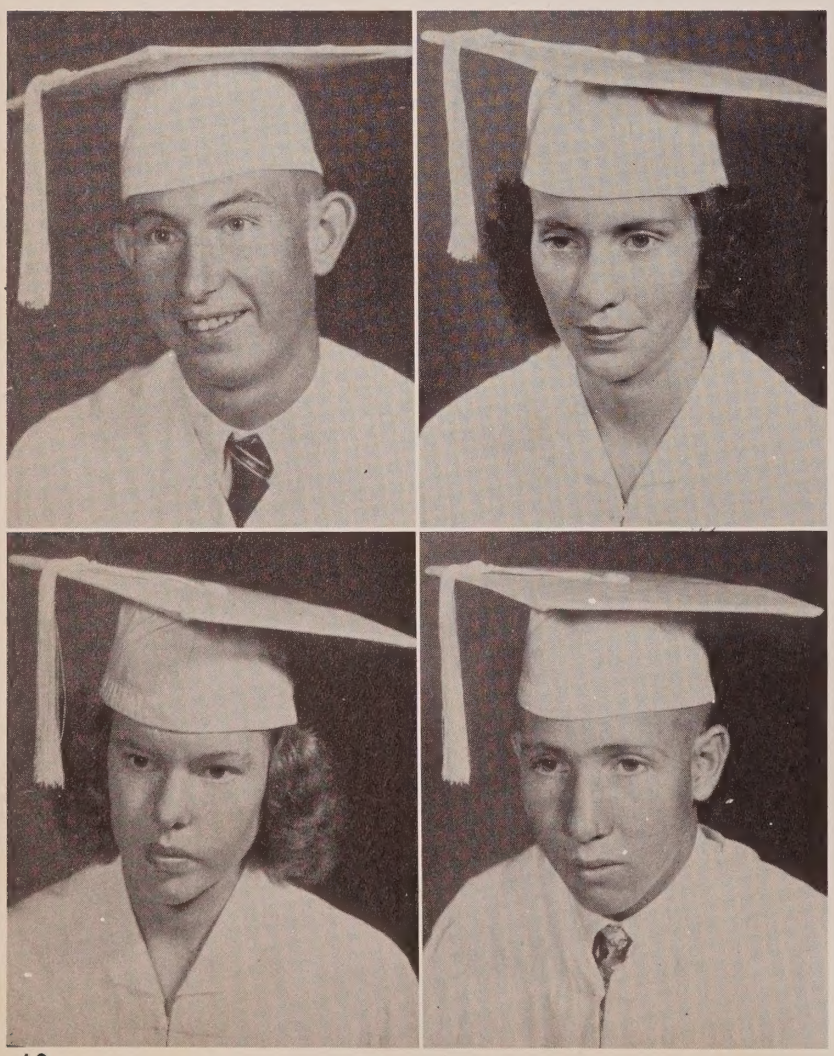
FFA 1, 2, 3, 4; FFA String Band, won district and sub-district 1, 2, 3; FFA Softball Team 4; Glee Club 3.

LINDA LOU HIGHTOWER

Jolly...Studious...'57 Homecoming Queen...Wants to be a success.

Band 1, 2, 3; Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Paper Staff 3, 4; Beta Club 2, 3, 4; FHA 1, 2, 3; Junior Play 3; Art Club 1, 2, 3; Dramatics Club 1, 2, 3; Student Council 1, 3, 4; MYF 1, 2, 3, 4.





RONALD JOHNSON

Likes to hunt...Comical...Good singer...Hopes to be a law officer.

FFA 1, 2, 3, 4; Science Club 2, 3; 4-H 1, 2.

FLOREA PETTIS

Unpredictable...Talkative...Friendly...Helpful...Future secretary.

Devotional Club 1, 2, 3; 4-H 1, 2, 3; Dramatics Club 4; Junior Play 3.

FRANCIES JUANITA SQUIRES

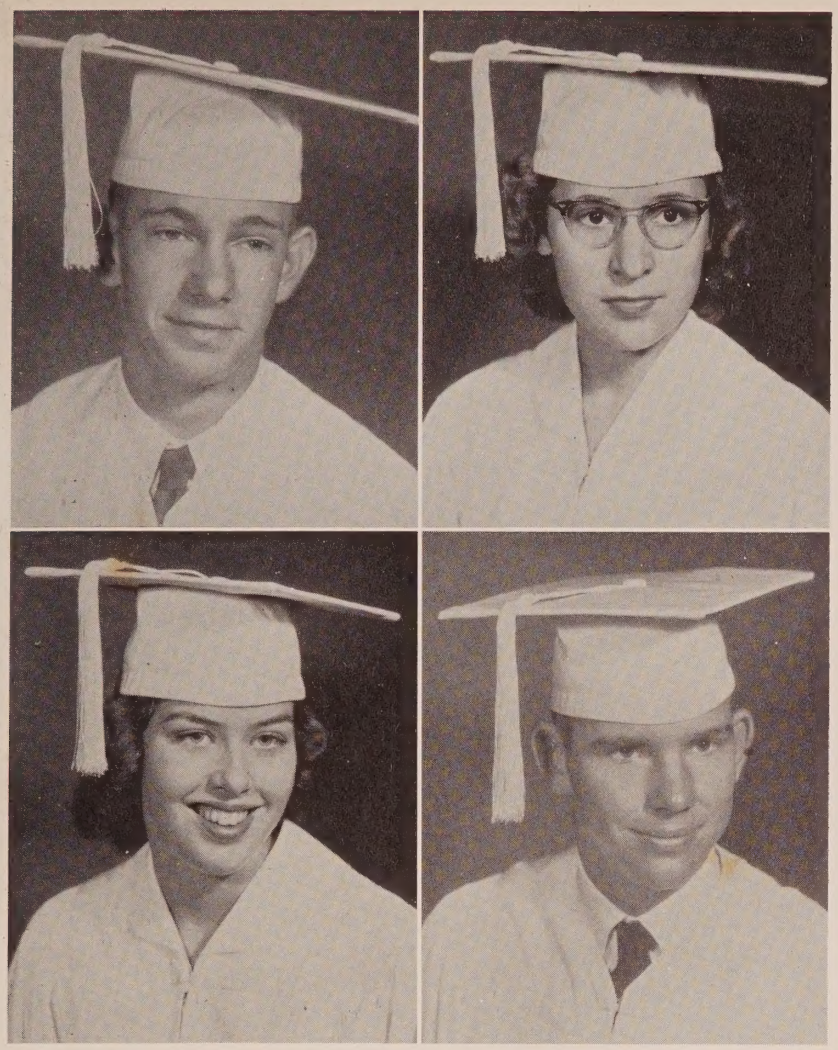
Honest...Considerate...Good worker...Rare personality...Future secretary.

4-H 1, 2, 3; Yearbook 4.

CHARLES NEWTON

Fun loving...Good personality...Honest.

Science Club 1, 3, 4.



SHELTON ISAAC SMITH

Courteous...Athletic...Sterling Character...
Sandy haired...A future Highway Patrol member.
FFA 1, 2, 3; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Baseball 4; 4-H 1, 2, 3, 4.

SHIRLEY JENKINS STORY

Understanding...Efficient...Unique..."Wanta be a good housewife and raise heaps of younguns."
FTA 2; Band 3; Library Club 3, 4; Dramatics Club 4; Music Club 2; Paper Staff 3, 4; Senior Class Queen 4; Devotional Club 1; Art 1.

BARBARA McFATTER

Energetic...Vivacious Cheerleader...Talkative...
Congenial...Future physical education instructor.
Homecoming Queen Candidate 4; Cheerleader 2, 3, 4; Cheerleader Captain 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Paper Staff 3, 4; Junior Play Cast.

DANIEL ALLEN ROGERS

Friendly...Dark brown hair...Brown eyes...
Likes girls...Wants to be a barber.
Football 1, 3; Freshman Class Vice President 1; FFA Vice President 3, 4; Junior Play 3; Freshman Favorite 1; Student Council 1; Science Club 2; FFA 1, 2, 3, 4; FFA Softball 1, 2, 3, 4; FFA String Band 2, 3, 4.

JERRY THOMAS SYFRETT

Considerate...Consistent...Easy going...Unconcerned...Future law officer...
FFA 1, 2, 3, 4; Science Club 2, 3. 4-H 1, 2.

MARY CLAUDETTE WILSON

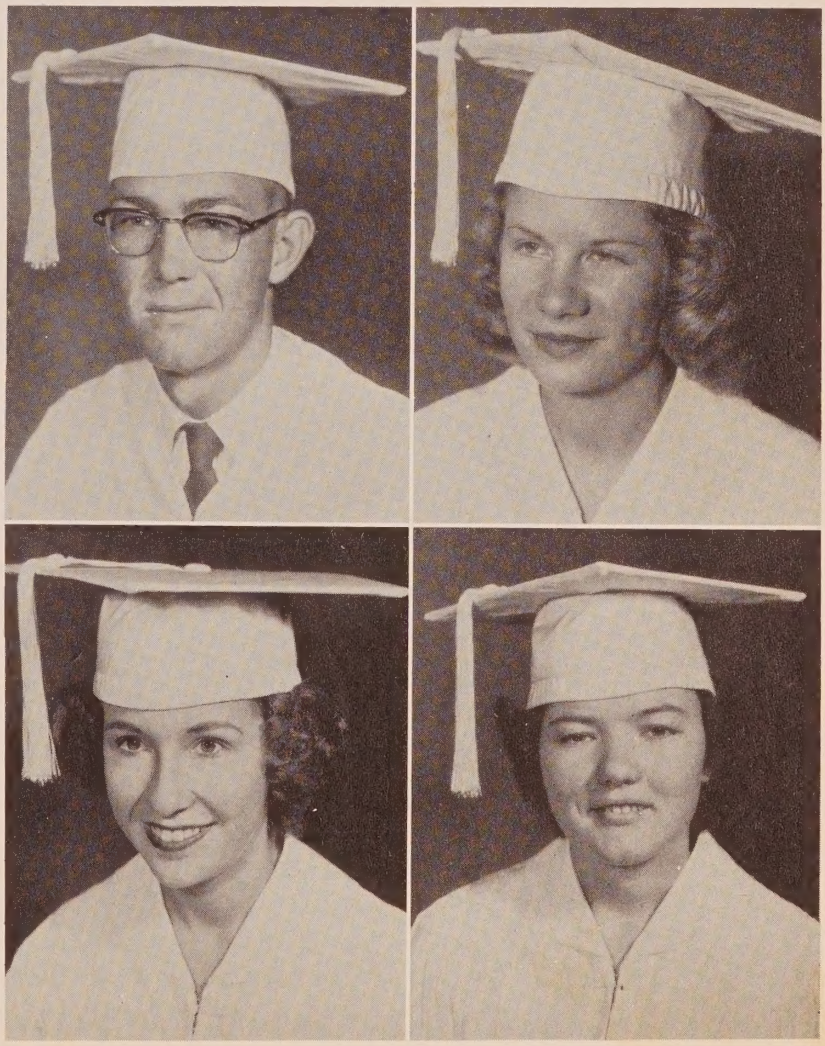
Blond...Giggles...Swell piano player...Will soon be music teacher.
Glee Club 2, 3; Devotional Club 1, 2, 3; FTA 4; FHA 4.

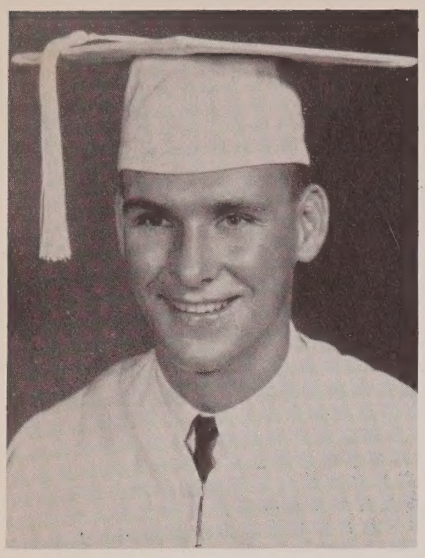
LINDA L. BRYANT

Slim...Pleasant...New at Vernon High...Red hair...Wants to be a good beautician.
French Club 2; Band 4.

LYDIA SASSER RUSS

Friendly...Considerate...Talented in art...Big in heart...Is working to be a better housewife.
Art Club 1; Devotional Club 2, 3, 4; Book Club 1.





PATRICK RODNEY PARRISH

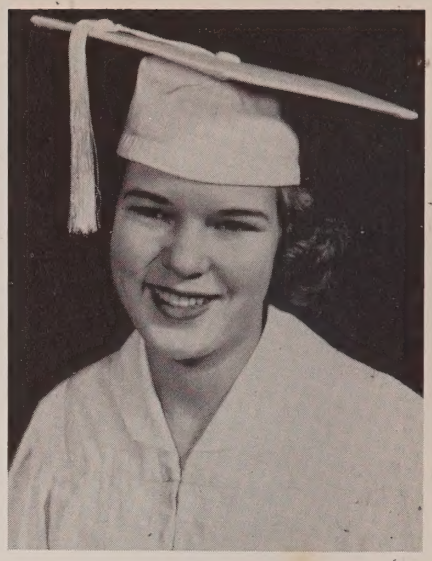
Outstanding...Determined...Fun loving...All round athlete...Working hard to be an electrical engineer.

Football 2, 3, 4, Co-Captain 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3 4; Beta Club 2, 3, 4; Student Council 3, 4, President 4; Class President 1, 3, 4; Junior Play 3; MYF, District President 3, President 4; Band 1, 2, 4.

CLARA KELLY

Considerate...Helpful...Long blond hair...Sweet ...Good student...Wants to be a secretary.

FHA 1, 2; Paper Staff 4; Yearbook 3, 4; Class President 2; 4-H 1, 2, 3; Library 1, 2; Junior Play 3.



The senior class homecoming float won first prize among all the many and varied floats entered. Three girls, Clara Kelly, Juanita Squires, and Anna Jo Adkins, rode on the float.

The seniors, who had worked very hard, were indeed glad to win first place.

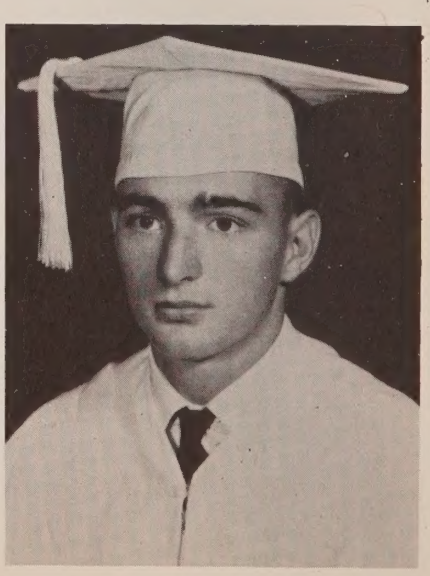
JULAINE JOHNSON

Petite blond...Easy going...Dependable...Homecoming queen runner-up...Plans to be a medical secretary. FHA 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Drum Majorette 2, 3, 4; Beta Club 3, 4; Paper Staff 3, 4; Junior Play 3; Glee Club 1, 2, 4; Dramatics Club 1, 2; Student Council 1, 2, 4; MYF 1, 2, 3.

MELVIN DIETZ JR.

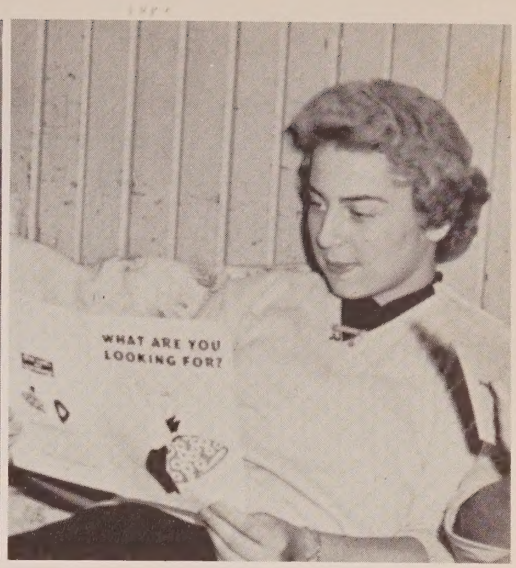
Likable...Sports a cool flattop...outstanding in sports...Easy going...Fun loving...Plans to continue in athletics as a coach.

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Won State 3; Made District as All-State 3; Football 3, 4; Baseball 1, 3, 4; Student Council 2, 3, 4; Vice President 3; Junior Play 3; Yearbook 3; Band 1, 2, 4; Class President 1, 2.



LINDA HIGHTOWER
Valedictorian

RODNEY PARRISH
Valedictorian



JULAINE JOHNSON
Salutatorian

Linda Hightower and Rodney Parrish have the distinction of being the first two students in the history of Vernon High School to tie for the honor of valedictorian. Both have a straight "A" average for their high school years. This is most unique and seldom, if ever, happens in any high school anywhere.

Next highest, according to the records, was Julaine Johnson who will be class salutatorian.

Linda and Rodney were the students chosen by school authorities to represent this school in this year's National Merit Scholarship Tests. Our two students scored among the top 25% of the Nation. A high goal!

Linda, this year's homecoming queen, won the Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow Award in Vernon High School. She received the highest score on a written examination in homemaking knowledge and attitudes. Her paper will be entered in competition to name this state's candidate for the title of the All-American Homemaker of Tomorrow. For her achievement, she has received an award pin designed by Trifari of New York.

She has served as projects chairman of Beta Club, art editor of the school paper, and Student Council representative for this year.

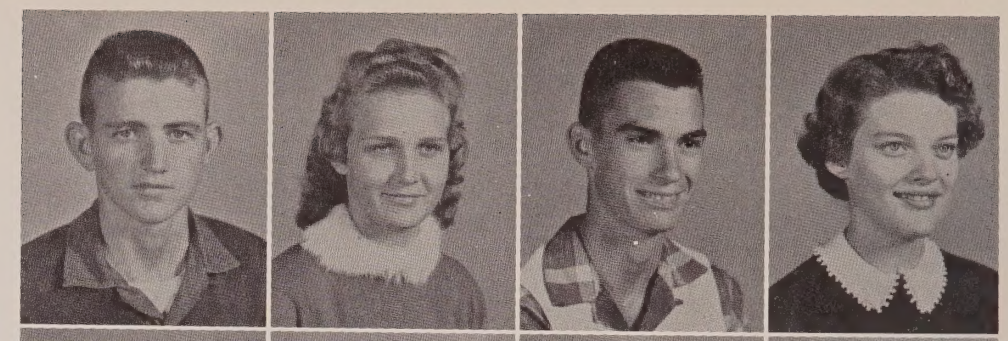
Rodney, senior class president, is the very active Student Council president. He participates in football, basketball, and baseball. Rodney is a member of Beta Club and many other school organizations.

Julaine, senior class secretary-treasurer, is the secretary-treasurer of Beta Club, drum majorette, and editor of the school paper. She is secretary of F. H. A. and of the Band Club.

A representative to Student Council and homecoming queen runner-up, she is a very busy girl.

Senior class Halloween king and queen were Eugene Pippin and Shirley Jenkins.

PAUL COOK
MARGARET HADDOCK
HILTON KELLY
VIRGINIA MOODY



DAVID MITCHELL
FOYE LAWRENCE
JIMMIE LEE
IRIS HUDSON

GERALD NELSON
MARY H. BUSH
HARLON HARRIS

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MILBRA BROCK

Junior

JOHNNY CALHOUN
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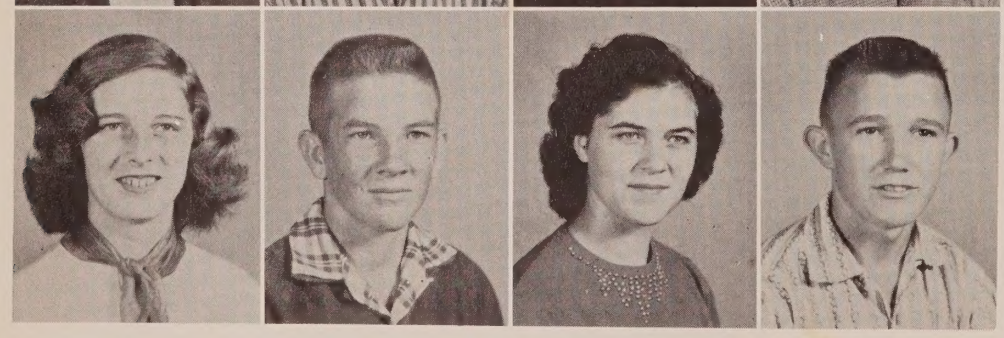
JANICE SHORES
RONALD COOK



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HENRY COOK

MARY DUNN
MARIE SUMNER
ROYCE PIPPIN
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FAIRL MALLORY

Class

MINNIE FINCH
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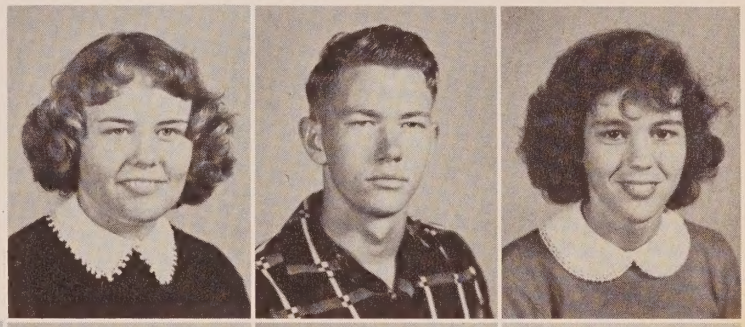
ALMA JEAN FINCH



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DONAL WALSINGHAM
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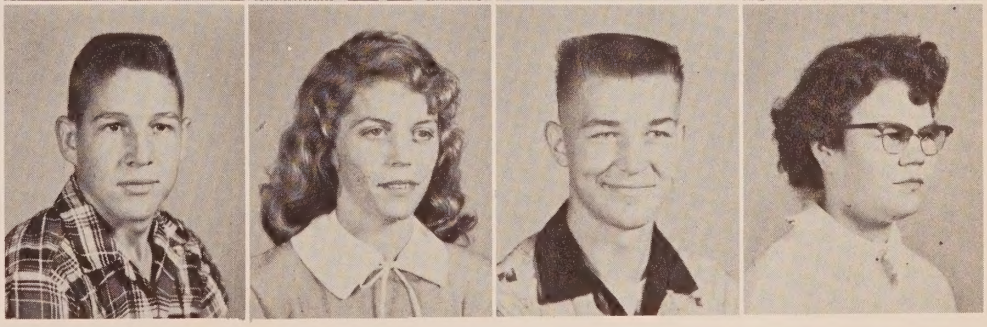

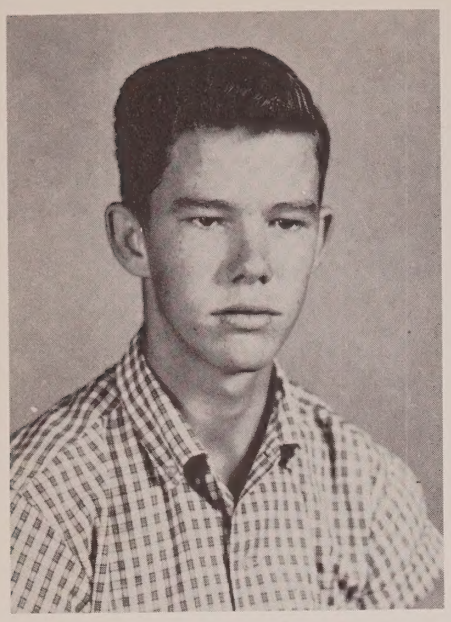

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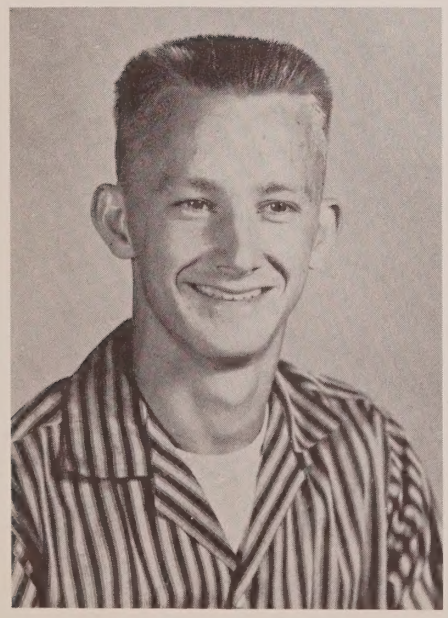


JOHN PAUL COOK
Reporter

The junior class was very proud (and tired) when the end of the homecoming events finally arrived. The class had worked hard on the float they entered in the parade. The float won many words of praise, and third place.

Riding the float were Lil' Abner and Daisy Mae. These two Dogpatch characters were portrayed by Johnny Calhoun and Lottie Helms.

The theme was different soap ads: "Blue? CHEER up. The TIDE will turn. It always DUZ. LUX with us. It'll be a BREEZE tonight."

Congratulations to the junior class, for the recognition that hard work won.

LEONARD HINSON and JANICE SHORES

HERMAN JENKINS and MARGARET HADDOCK

Halloween royalty from Mrs. Hightower's section of the junior class was Leonard Hinson and Janice Shores. The class worked hard. Indeed they lacked less than half a dollar winning. Many hearts were disappointed when it was found they had lost by such a small margin.

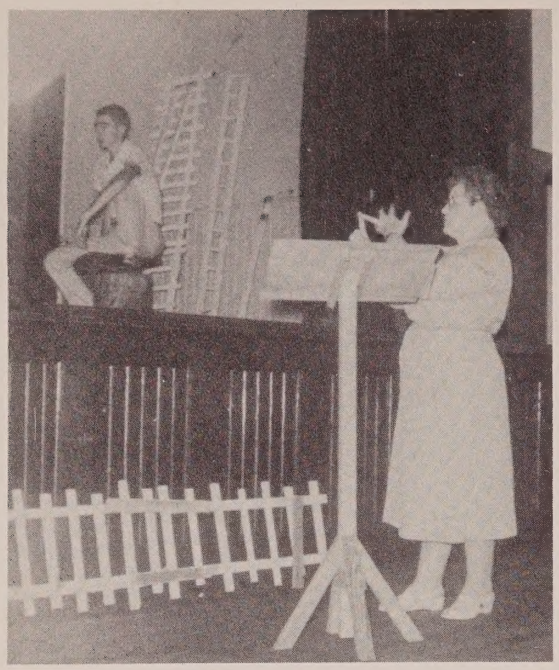
But what is it to be a good winner if you can't be a good loser?

Royalty from Mr. Boone's section was Herman Jenkins and Margaret Haddock. Their room, too, worked very hard and raised a lot of money to go on their couple's race.

Margaret was also one of the junior candidates for homecoming queen. The other candidate from the junior class was Pat Parish.

Junior class officers this year were Yvonne Parish, secretary-treasurer; Charles Taylor, president; Leonard Hinson, vice president; and John Paul Cook, reporter.

Shower of Stars



After one postponement and other delays due to conflicting activities, the junior class play was scheduled for presentation on March 24-25.

The play "Tattletale," by Ann Coulter Martens, was a three-act comedy. The class voted for the following cast:

Patty . . . the tattletale . . . Yvonne Parish
Mrs. Blaine . . . her mother . . . Pat Parish
Mr. Blaine . . . her father . . . Johnny Calhoun
Isabel . . . her older sister . . . Iris Hudson
Artie . . . her younger brother . . . Jesse Tyre
Ida May . . . her girl friend . . . Margaret Haddock
Tod . . . her boy friend . . . Hilton Kelly
Paul Cummings . . . a young editor . . . Leonard Hinson
Mr. Nixon . . . the high school principal . . . Jay B.
Mrs. Nixon . . . his wife . . . Janice Shores
Miss Wiggam . . . a teacher . . . Virginia Moody
Walt Kennedy . . . a detective . . . David Mitchell
Louella . . . Lottie Helms
Monica . . . Milbra Brock . . . high school
Barney . . . Herman Jenkins . . . friends
Students . . . Junior Class . . . from the high school
Mr. Whittaker . . . president of the Board . . . Wadell Jenkins
Mr. Bixley . . . a business man . . . Crayton Shaw
Mrs. Lorimer . . . president of the Woman's Club . . . Alma J. Finch
Hetty Heaton . . . of the radio . . . Shirley Shipes
Quiz . . . a reporter . . . Foye Lawrence

The play centers around the antics of the Blaine family, especially their younger daughter Patty, who wishes to be a famous novelist. She asks her boy-friend Tod to borrow a typewriter for her.

The typewriter gets broken and the kids really are in a jam. To add to it all--Tod snitched the typewriter from the principal's office.

Funny? Hilarious!!

The night was here! The cats were all howling! Halloween at last!

One of the spots in the program was a barbershop quartet. The participants in this act were Johnny Calhoun, Rodney Parrish, Buddy Dietz, and Hilton Kelly.

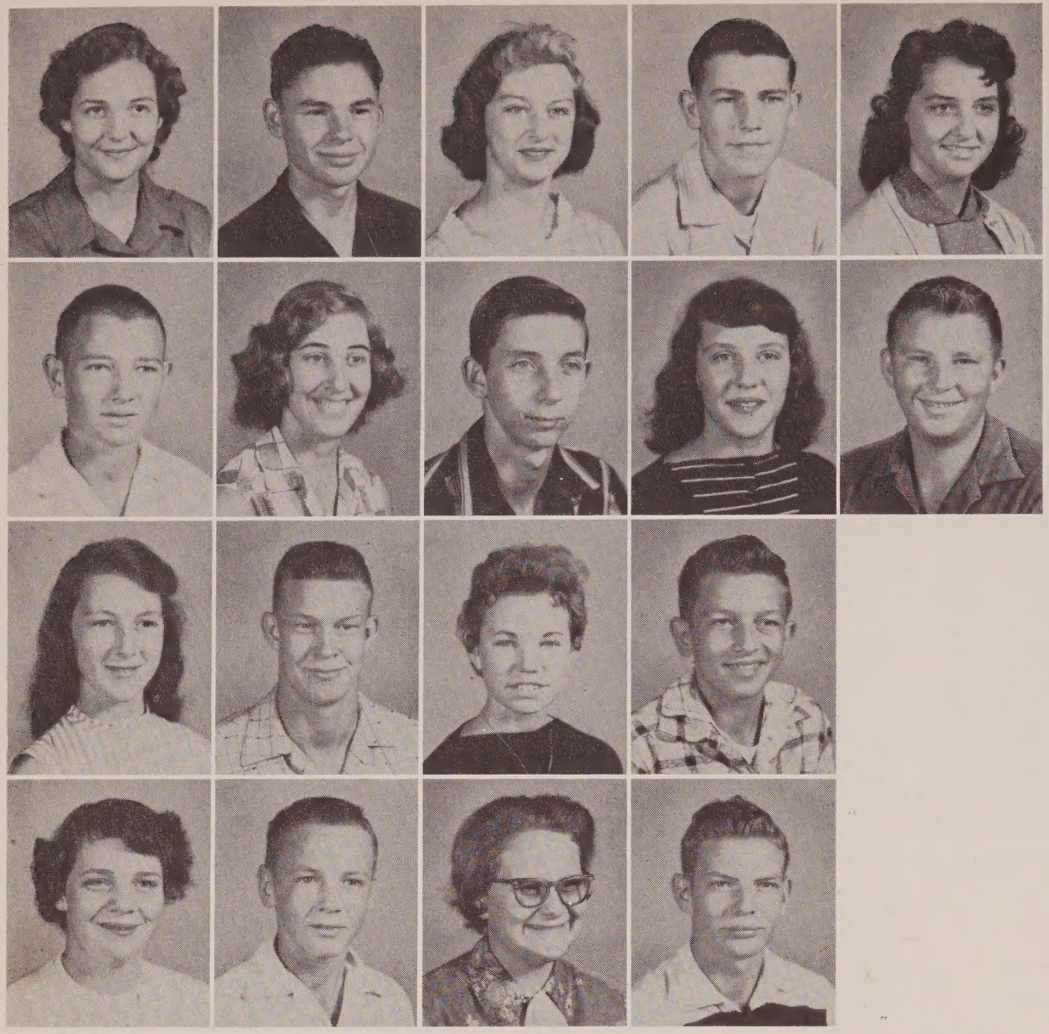
The crowning of the king and queen was the high-point of the night. High school royalty was Queen Wanda Lawrence and King Ted Bailey.

Junior high royalty was Queen Brenda Brown and King George Weekly.

The other royalty included elementary king and queen Bill Bruner and Janice Brock and Queen Shirlana Folmar and King Edward Haddock.

An unusual sight in Florida is snow. But--it did snow here. The kids had a marvelous time playing in the soft, feathery, fluffy, white stuff. It was the first time many had seen this much at one time.

Snowmen! snowmen! where did you go? No one knows-just all of a sudden you weren't there.



Annette Anderson
Ted Bailey
Brenda Brown
Kenneth Brock
Margaret Bruner

Lloyd Bruner
Charlaine Cook
Wayne Carter
Betty Sue Diehl
Kenneth Faile

Evelyn Dykes
Junior Ferguson
Minnie Gilmore
Vaughn Galloway

Ann Hare
Roy Land
Nelda Faye Hughes
Donald L. Morris

Sophomore

Shirley Owens
Donald Ray Smith
Cathryn Whitfield
Allen McCullough
Loretta Wilson

Buddy Squires
Gracie Burke
Donald Taylor
Adell Cook
Joe Wells

Felton Barfield
Ellen Gainer
Larry Bruner
Malvina Haney

Arrey Burch
Verla Mae Hendrix
Doyle Carter
Barbara Knight

Wanda Lawrence
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Joan Levins
James Dietz
Patricia Lewis

Jack Dorch
Joyce Levins
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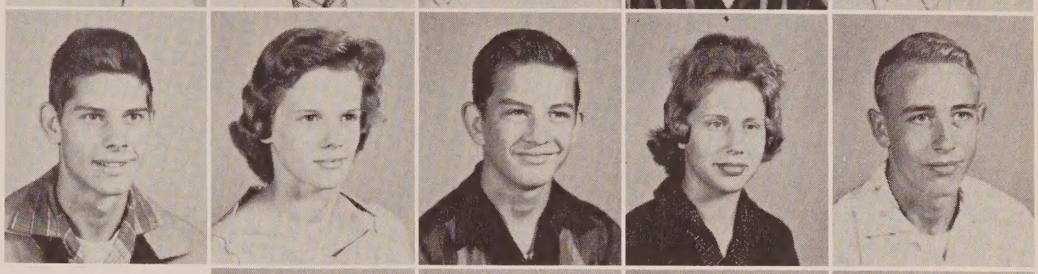
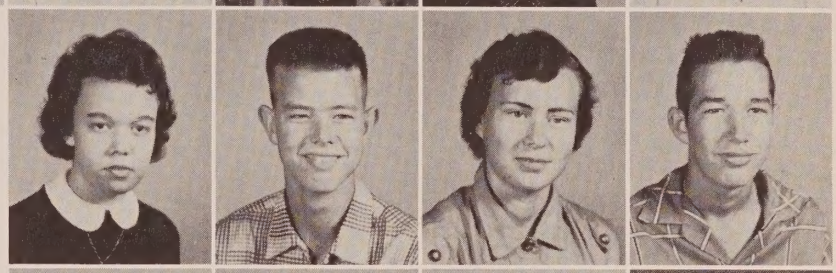
Dorothy Morrell
McArthur Finch



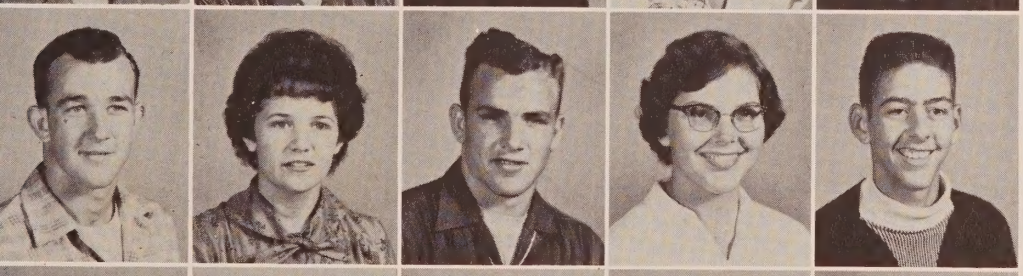
Yvonne Newsom
Carlton Wells
Shirley Pettis
George M. Rogers



Vita Merle Pettis
Jackie Roche
Mary Jean Porter
Theodore Simmons

Class

Shirley Swindle
Carlos Finch
Cynthia Sleezer
David Hayes
Carolyn Roberts



Hubert Hayes
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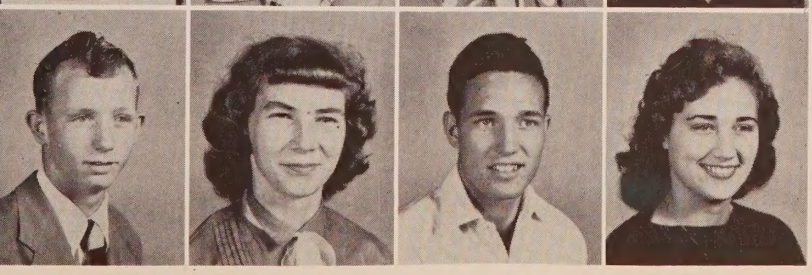
Preston Haddock
Kathryn Russ
Howard Harris

Yvette Strickland
Jimmy Goodson
Jeanelle Todd
James C. Hagan
Barbara Syfrett



Daniel Martin
Margaret Yates
Dennis Hayes
Beverly Weaver

Primary Building

Here those who shall take our places in high school are now learning to read and write. They are being taught to share. Many for the first time. They are being taught to get along with others. To lead and to follow. To give and to take. They are on the first rung of the ladder to adulthood.

The first and second grades are housed in this building. We think they are lucky for we remember classrooms not so nice. We are really thankful that first school years can be made enjoyable in these wonderfully equipped rooms.

The primary building was constructed in 1953-54.

My Lost Youth

Often I think of the beautiful town
That is seated by the sea;
Often in thoughts go up and down
The pleasant streets of that dear old town,
And my youth comes back to me.
And a verse of a Lapland song
Is haunting my memory still:
"A boy's will is the wind's will,
And the thoughts of youth are long, long thoughts."

. . .

I remember the gleams and glooms that dart
Across the school-boy's brain;
The song and the silence in the heart,
That in part are prophecies, and in part
Are longings wild and vain.
And the voice of that fitful song
Sings on, and is never still:
"A boy's will is the wind's will,
And the thoughts of youth are long, long thoughts."

There are things of which I may not speak;
There are things that cannot die;
There are thoughts that make
The strong heart grow weak,
And bring a pallor into the cheek,
And a mist before the eye.
And the words of that fatal song, come over me
with a chill:
"A boy's will is the wind's will,
And the thoughts of youth are long, long thoughts."

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

Freshman

Curtis Porter Jr.
Grace Brock,
Secretary-Treasurer
Charlie Horne
Ann Hewett
Pat Crosby,
Secretary-Treasurer

Waylon Harris
Claudine Dunn
Dalton Sheffield,
President
Janice Foster
Edsol Jenkins

Romona Sanders
Marie Street
Allen Marshall
Gail Dykes
Broward Padgett

Shirley Smothers
Corene Hicks
Joe Boy Shores
Karen Miller
Carolyn Land

George Weekly,
Reporter
Sandra Hightower,
Vice President
Dewey Worley
Ruth Williams
Tommy Harrell

Mary Gilmore
Tyrone May
Muriel Wells
Jerry Weeks
Novella Dykes

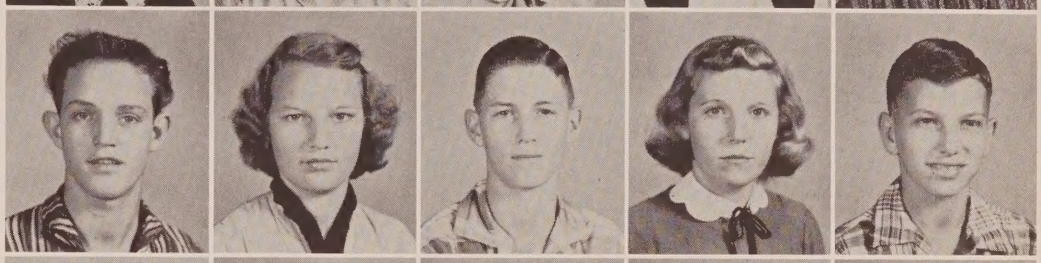
Donald Boyette
Arlene Smothers
Wayne Helms
Charlotte Sheffield
Joe Kent

Judy Ann Harrell,
Reporter
George Baragona
Sonya Owens,
Devotional Leader
James Tutton
Oberrean Thames

Class

Mary E. Carter
Roy Yates
Evelyn Mitchell
Vera Murphy
Margery Pippin

Billy Casey
Christeen Porter
Charles Brock
Gladys Cooper
Thomas Cook



Scarlett Cook
Delbert Church
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Wilson Leavins
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Joseph Ferol,
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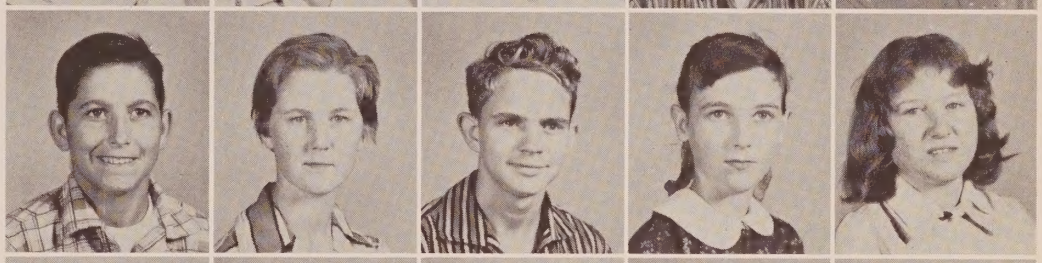


Jimmy Walsingham
Carol Mercer
Zonnie Rogers
Kenneth Finch
Sarah Smith

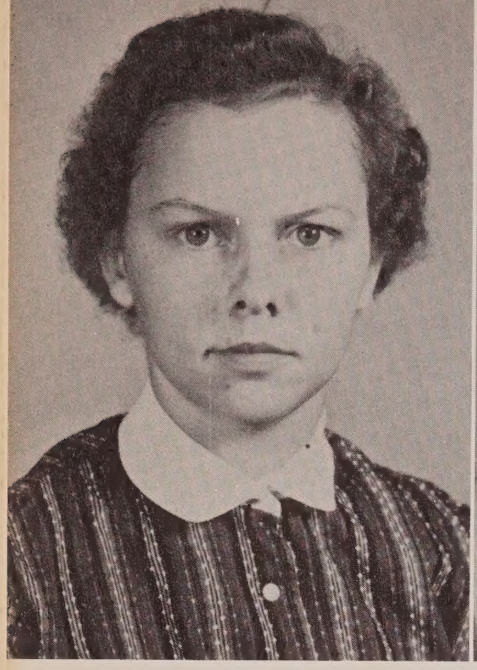
Henry Russ
Mary Diehl
James Gilley
Louise Grantham
Lamar Faison

Voncille Pettis
Windell Riley
Betty Pitts
W. T. Pettis
Jo Ann Retherford

N. B. Pettis
Ruth Finch
Mildridge Carroll
Rex Boyette
Lunell Grantham

Junior High

Students on these pages were chosen from the junior high school for their outstanding scholastic achievement. Each student was approved by at least four junior high teachers.



MARGERY PIPPIN
Ninth Grade

GLORIA JEAN RALEY
Eighth Grade

CHARLOTTE JOHNSON
Seventh Grade

LINDA CAROL PIPPIN
Eighth Grade

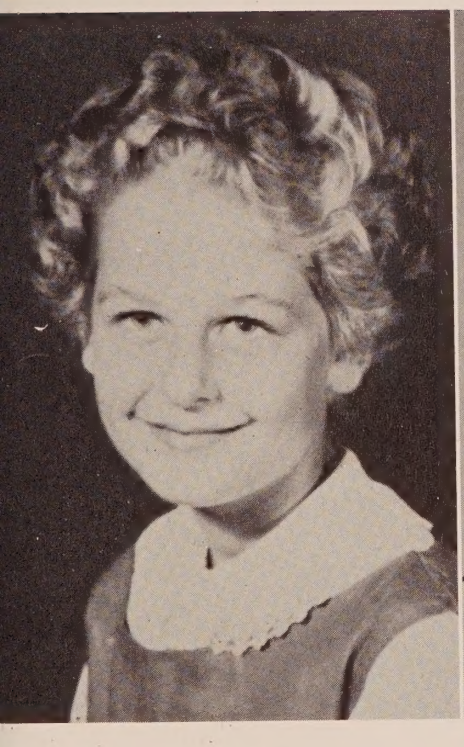
GEORGE BARAGONA
Ninth Grade

SANDRA HIGHTOWER
Ninth Grade

Kudos

MURIEL WELLS
Ninth Grade

DIANNE ROCHE
Ninth Grade



GAIL WELLS
Seventh Grade

FRANKIE BROCK
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REBECCA STAMPLEY
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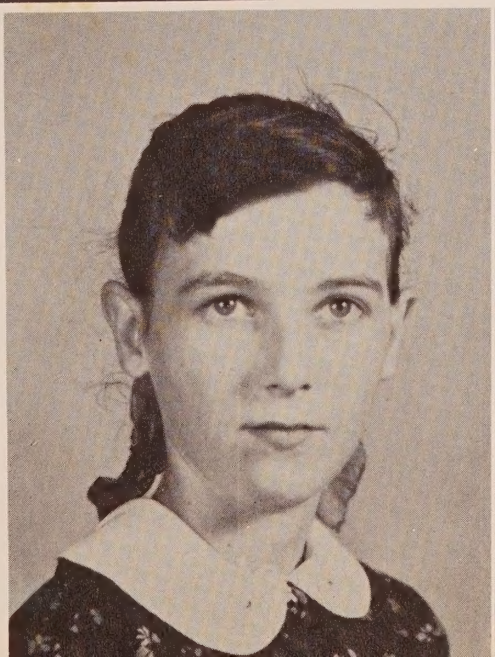
SONYA OWENS
Ninth Grade



Eighth

Troy Lee Collins
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Quincy Carnley

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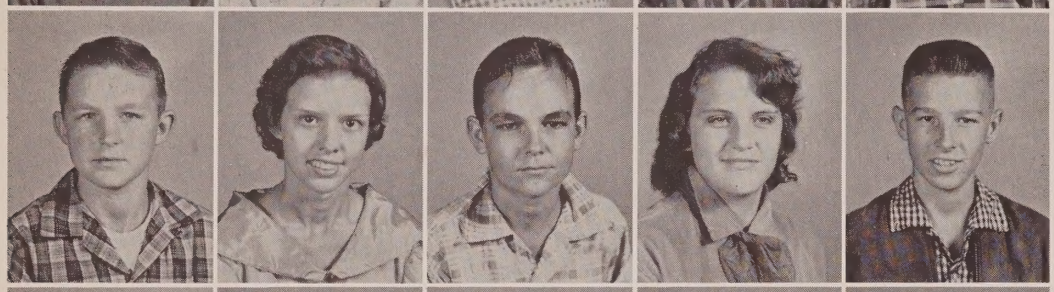
Edward Morrell
Norma Felder
Orvis Morrell
Edna Bruner



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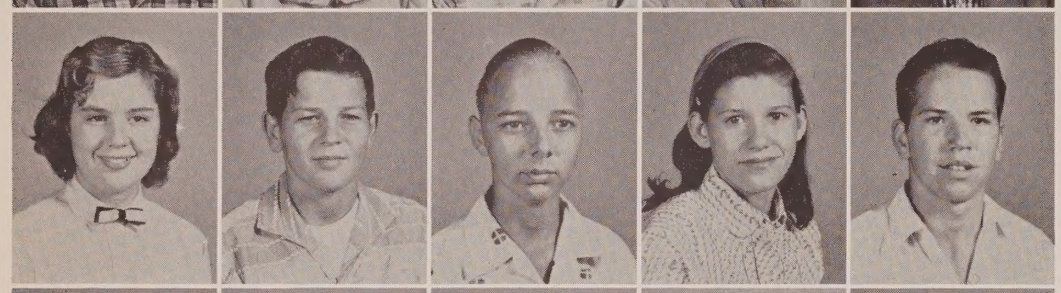

Floretta Carter
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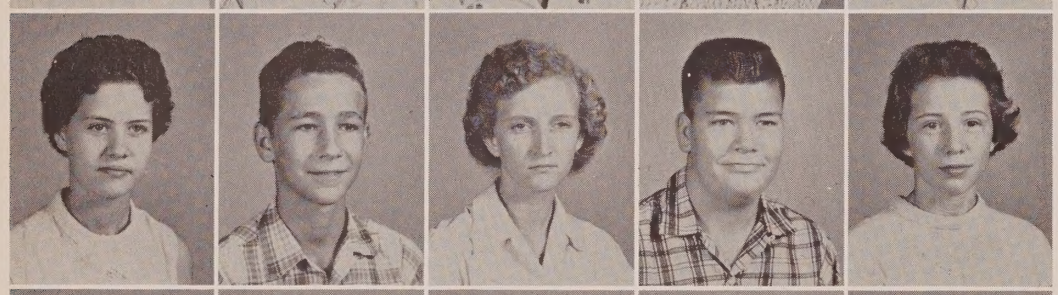
Linda Revis
Saxton Raines



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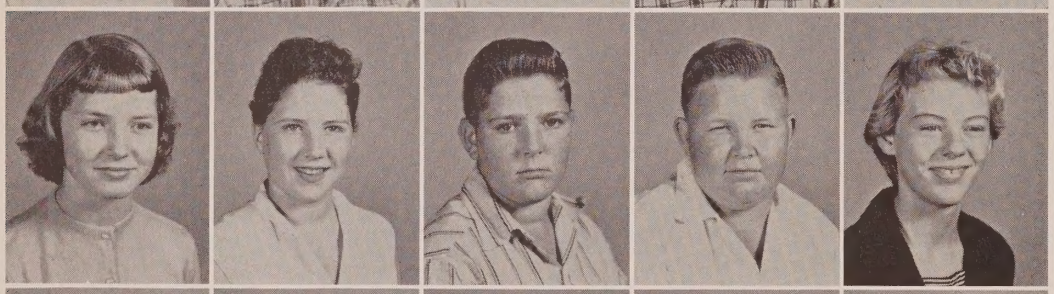

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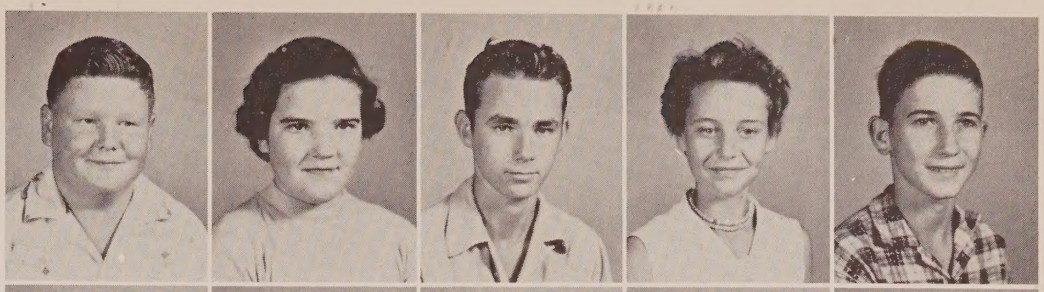
Newton Brock



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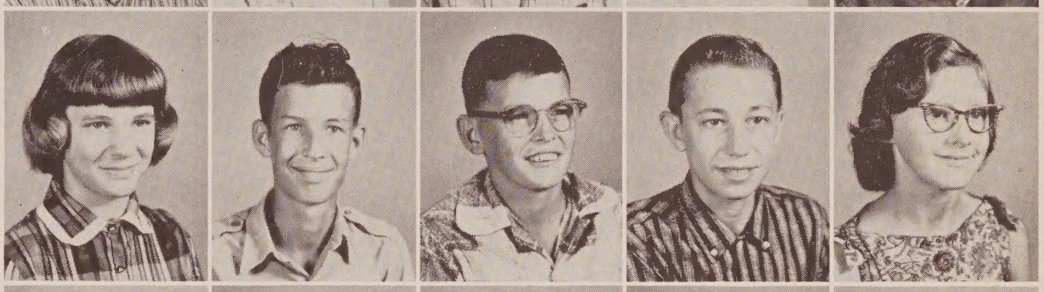

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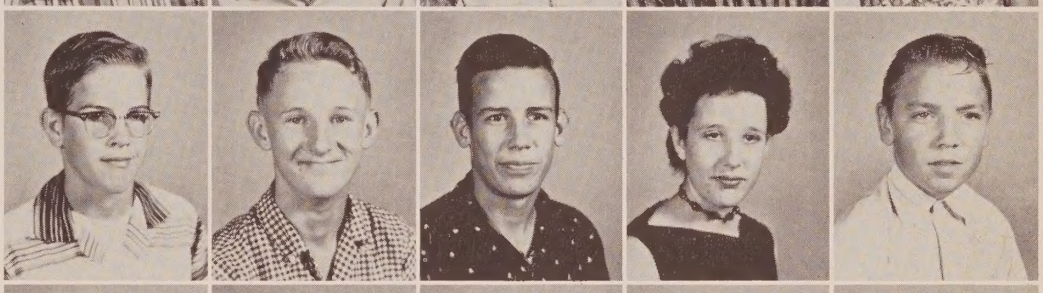

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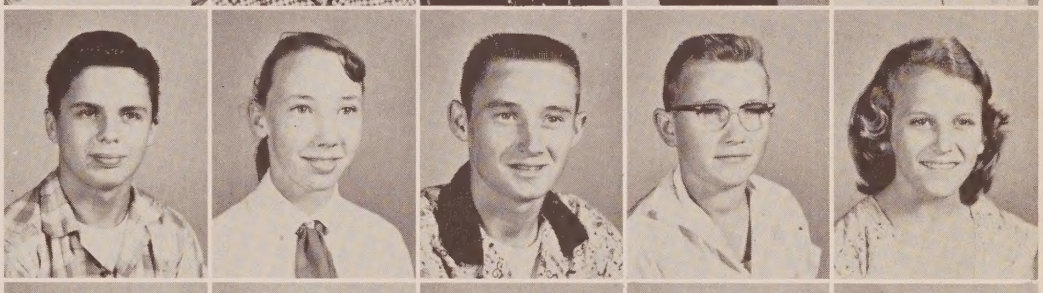

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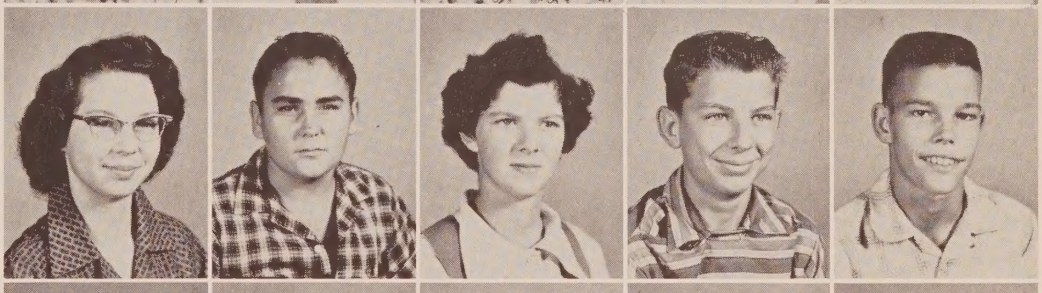

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Rita Shipes
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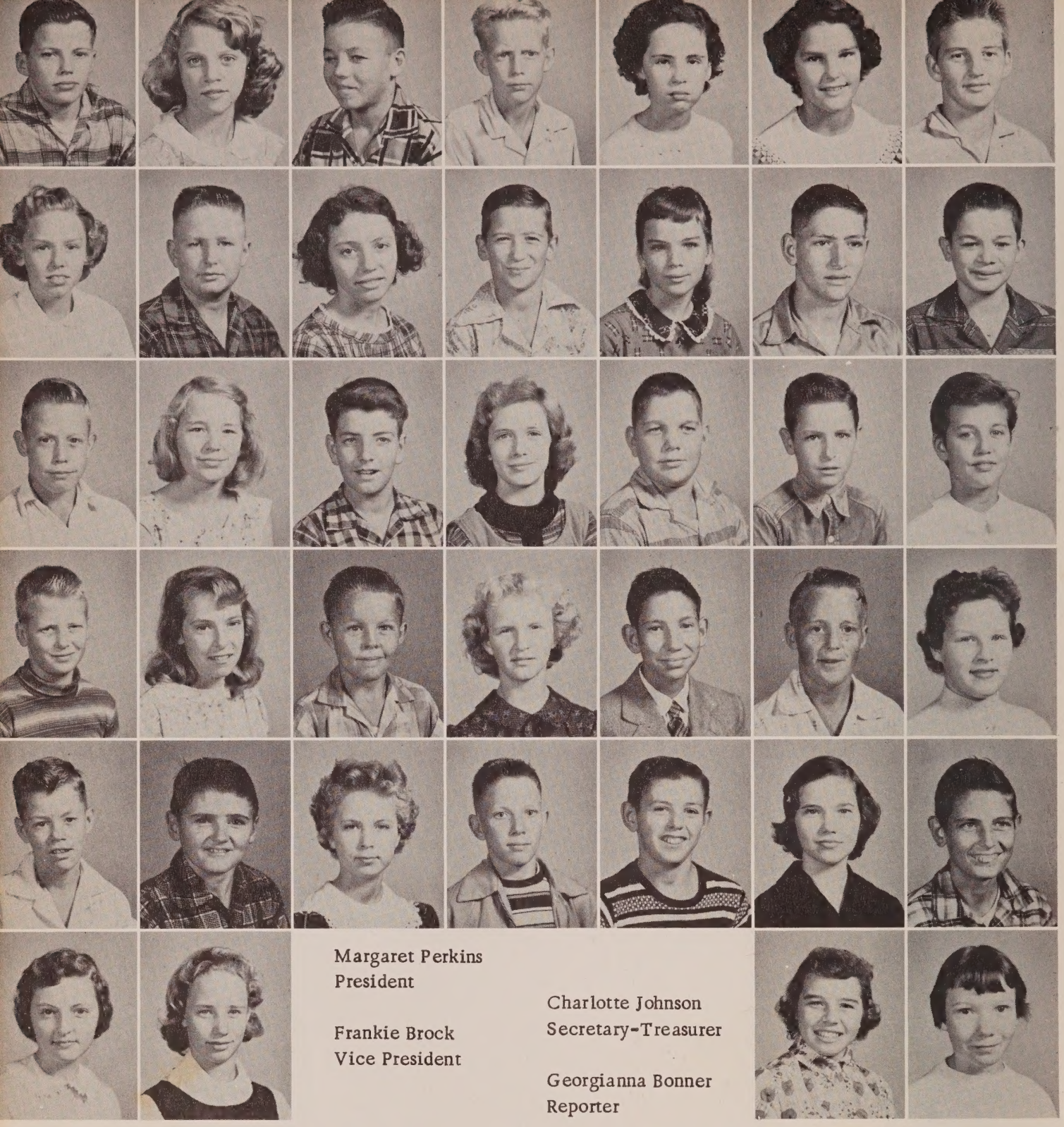
Loyal Jones,
Reporter



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President

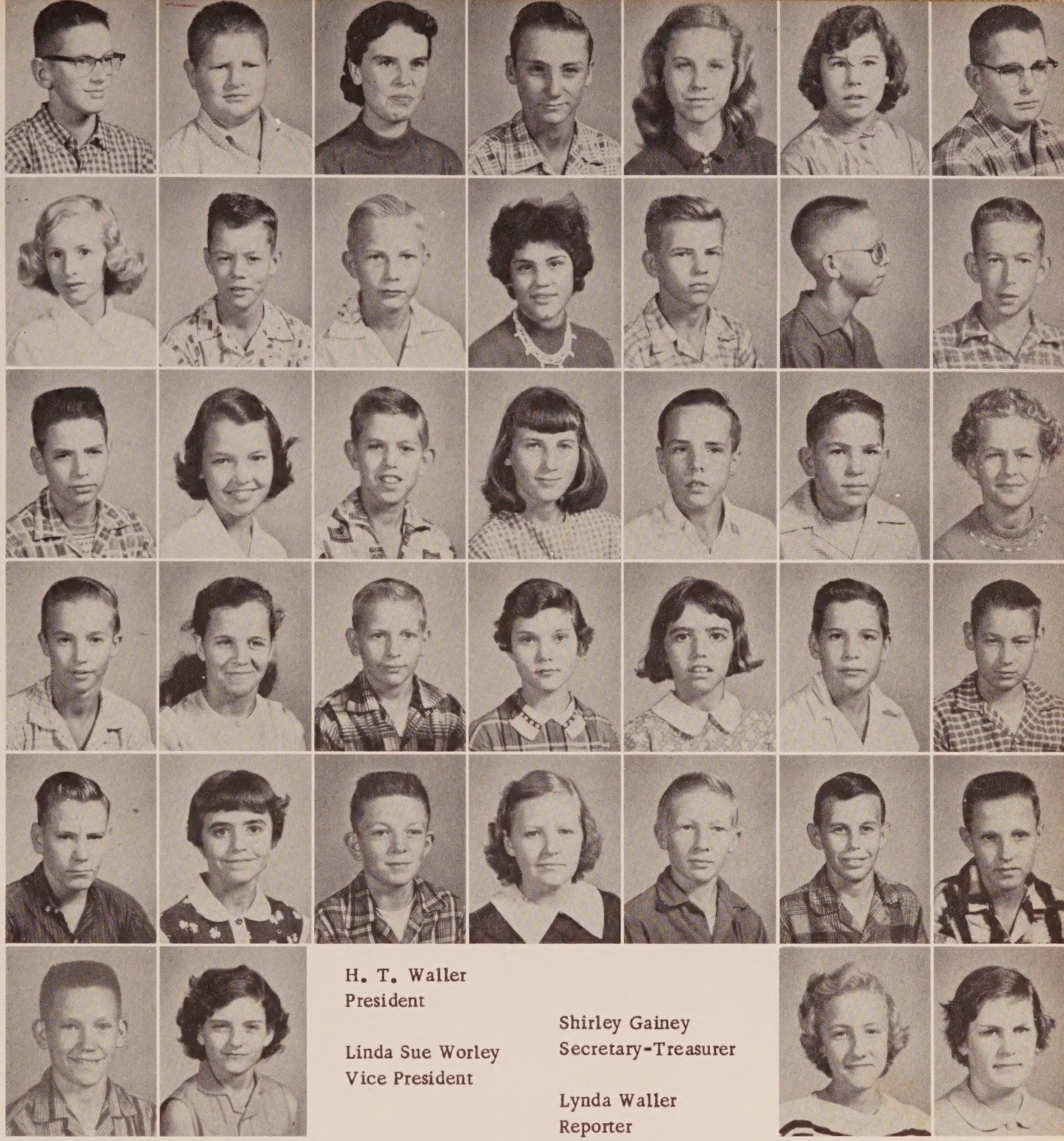
Frankie Brock
Vice President

Charlotte Johnson
Secretary-Treasurer

Georgianna Bonner
Reporter

Class

Top row: Bobby Thames, Carolyn Brewer, Haywood Dykes, Alton Morrell, Leola Sellers, Martha Taylor, Leslie Bush. Second row: Diane Brock, Adron Coatney, Barbara Blair, Jimmy Boyette, Sharon Tibbets, Joe Smothers, Larry Pippin. Third row: Pat Armstrong, Sara Porter, Wesley Kelly, Norma Brock, Elton Russ, Jerry Leavins, Mary Lundholm. Fourth row: Bobby Bryant, Josephine Tutton, Wilson Bodie, Phala Worthington, Jessie Foster, Mike Riley, Judy Brock. Fifth row: Willard Helms, Howard Adkins, Carol Coatney, Hilton Connell, Wesley Pettis, Sue Shores, Earl Kirkland.



H. T. Waller
President

Linda Sue Worley
Vice President

Shirley Gainey
Secretary-Treasurer

Lynda Waller
Reporter

of '63

Top row: Ernie Brock, Charles Simmons, Paulett Marlow, Bill Coatney, Clyde Armstrong, Linda Ward, Dannie Kolmetz. Second row: Yvonne Strickland, Windell Helms, Buddy Street, Eleanor Goodson, Earl Cook, Linzey Faison, Harold Lee. Third row: Leonard Sweezy, Sue Kinstle, Joel Wells, Wanda Brock, William Raines, Charles Joyner, Gail Wells. Fourth row: Ancil Bryant, Dorothy Boyette, Joseph Moore, Ruby Kelly, Hazel Leavins, Verlon Harris, Marvin Sheffield. Fifth row: W. D. Taylor, Minerva Pettis, Gordon Hood, Janice White, Jimmy Williamson, Preston McCullough, Ernest Morrell.

Vocational Building

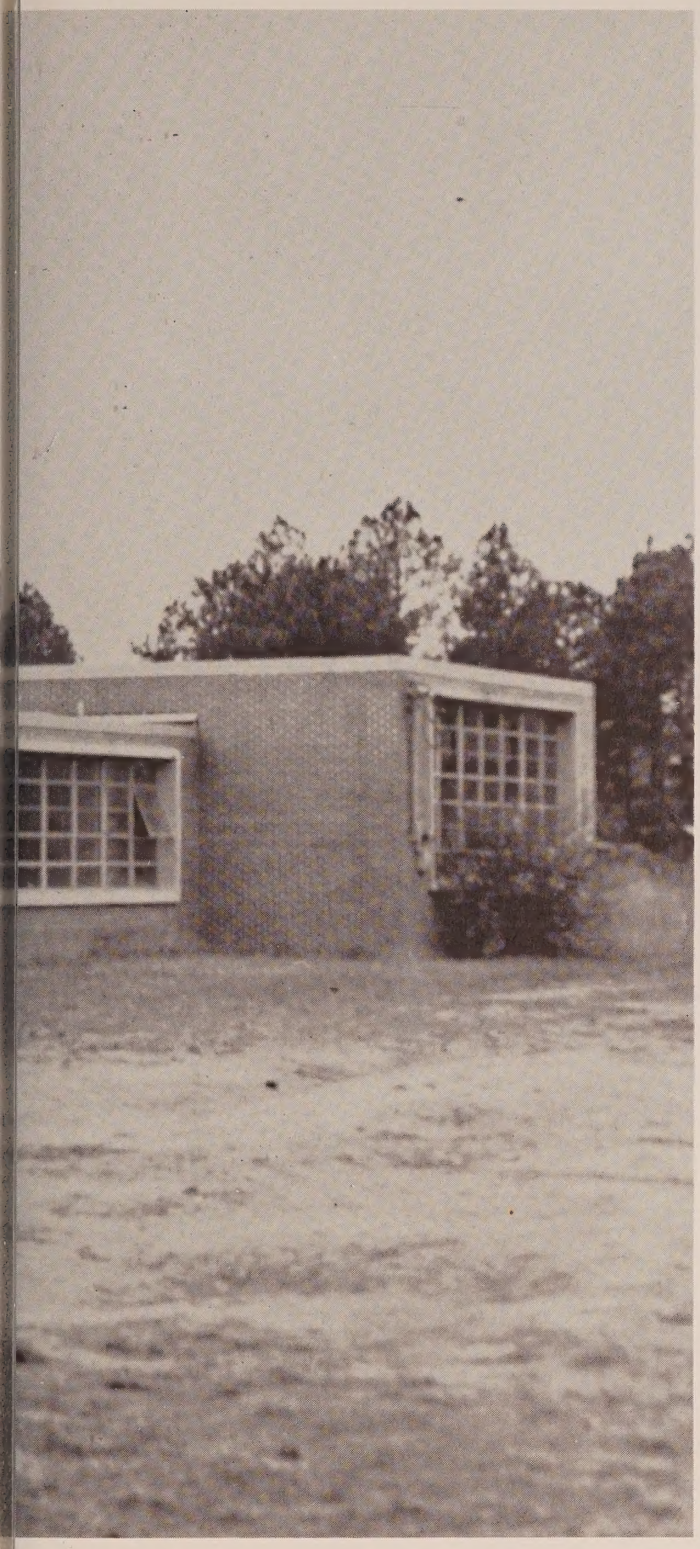
The vocational department has helped many of us to become better adjusted adults. As well as applying their psychology to help us out, the home economics and agriculture teachers have taught us many things to help us in later life.

The girls have been taught to sew, cook, and make a home for a possible future husband and family.

The boys have been taught how to manage a farm and many other things that they might use, even if not as a farmer.

The F. H. A. and F. F. A. club meetings are held here. The vocational classes also.

The building was constructed in '55-'56. In the fall of '56, this was a welcome move to students and teachers alike.



My Lost Youth

I can see the breezy dome of groves,
The shadows of Deering's Woods,
And the friendships old and the early loves
Come back with a Sabbath sound, as of doves
In quiet neighborhoods.
And the verse of that sweet old song,
It flutters and murmurs still:
"A boy's will is the wind's will,
And the thoughts of youth are long, long thoughts."

Strange to me now are the forms I meet
When I visit the dear old town;
But the native air is pure and sweet,
And the trees that o'er-shadow each
Well-known street,
As they balance up and down,
Are singing the beautiful song,
Are sighing and whispering still:
"A boy's will is the wind's will,
And the thoughts of youth are long, long thoughts."

And Deering's Woods are fresh and fair,
And with joy that is almost pain
My heart goes back to wonder there,
And among the dreams of the days that were,
I find my lost youth again.
And the strange and beautiful song,
The groves are repeating it still:
"A boy's will is the wind's will,
And the thoughts of youth are long, long, thoughts."

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

. . . Strive to Make

The Beta Club members are (Standing): President Yvonne Parish. First row, seated: Projects Chairman Linda Hightower, Secretary-Treasurer Julaine Johnson, Advisor Mrs. Dykes. Second row: Rodney Parrish, Vice President Leonard Hinson, Margaret Haddock, Foye Lawrence. Third row: Program Chairman Pat Parish, Publicity Chairman Mary V. Bush, and Milbra Brock.

Beta Club President, Yvonne Parish, giving a talk on the value of Beta Club to VHS students.

The Beta Club has been an active school organization this year, one of their main projects being to help raise funds for the auditorium curtains. To do this, among other things, they teach school and donate the money thus earned to this project.

The members sponsored the VHS yearbook, helping sell ads and the yearbook. To compensate for this work, they helped decide on the cover of the book and style lettering used. They were also invited by Yearbook Staff to join them on their class party on which they visited the Gulfarium in Fort Walton Beach.

At Thanksgiving, Beta members made blessing reminders for the school cafeteria and prepared a basket for a shut-in.

Our School Better

At the end of the first and second semesters, a committee of Beta members acquired the names of those who qualified for the GOOD CITIZEN AWARD.

Qualifications for this award are scholarship, leadership, character, and service done for the school.

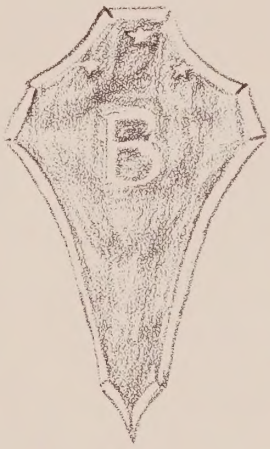
Beta members chose four students each semester to receive this award. Out of these eight, two students were chosen for the honor of being the VHS GOOD CITIZENS OF '58.

The members washed cars and took part in other projects to raise funds to send delegates to the Beta Club State Convention, held in Clearwater, Florida, May 2-3.

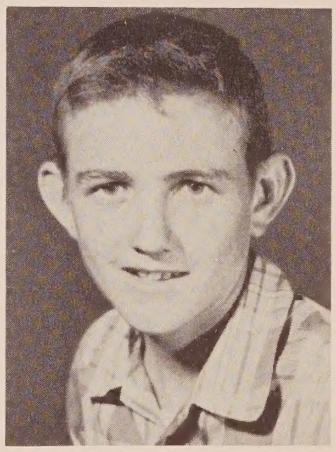
Members of the club, "tapped" in the spring this year are Clara Kelly, senior; Paul Cook, junior; Jeanelle Todd, Joan Levins, Joyce Levins, and Kathryn Russ, sophomores.

Mary V. Bush, Publicity chairman, presenting the GOOD CITIZENSHIP AWARDS to Rodney Parrish, Linda Hightower, Julaine Johnson, and Hilton Kelly (not pictured).

The Beta Club, organized in 1947, has a fairly new constitution, written in 1957.



CLARA KELLY
Senior



LORAN P. COOK
Junior

JEANELLE TODD
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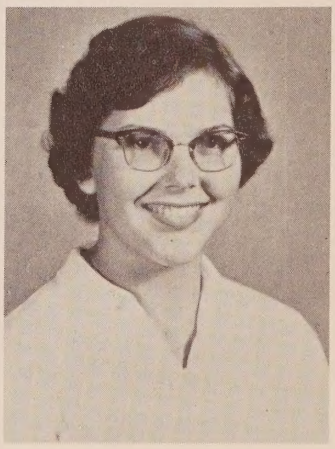
JOAN LEVINS
Sophomore

JOYCE LEVINS
Sophomore



KATHRYN RUSS
Sophomore

"Toward New Horizons"

Seated: Barbara Syfrett, Projects; Shirley Swindle, Parliamentarian; Yvette Strickland, Foye Lawrence, Historian; Pat Lewis, Kathryn Russ, Secretary; Yvonne Parish, President; Julaine Johnson, Program of Work; Mrs. Pauline Cook, Advisor. Standing: Shirley Shipes, Janice Shores, Verla Mae Hendrix, Nelda Faye Hughes, Alma Jean Finch, Nina Brock, Minnie Frances Finch, Lottie Helms, Wanda Lawrence, Rea Hammock, Margaret Haddock, Margaret Bruner, Iris Hudson, Cathren Whitfield, Helen Anderson, Cynthia Sleezer, Virginia Moody, Barbara Knight, Barbara McFatter, Minnie Gilmore, and Beverly Weaver.

The national organization of Future Homemakers of America was founded in June 1945. Florida became a chartered member in 1946, and in the fall Vernon Chapter became an affiliate member of both state and national organization. Activities of the chapter this year, which were planned in August, included a "Valenteen" Party for the F.F.A. In February the girls presented a dress review in P.T.A. They modeled clothes they themselves had made. The club's exhibit at the Pensacola Interstate Fair took second place.

At the 1958 state convention, which met in Daytona Beach, Yvonne Parish, state president-elect, was installed as state president. The annual banquet was the occasion for the installation. Kathryn Russ, who won as state secretary in district meeting, ran at state also. Results were unknown at press time.

New members: First row: G. Dykes, R. Finch, C. Land, K. Miller, M. Summer, S. Owens, B. Stampley, M. Pippin. Second row: V. Pettis, E. Gainer, Y. Newsom, A. Hewett, C. Mercer, V. Murphy, S. Hightower, J. Syfrett, C. Porter, C. Sheffield. Third row: R. Williams, M. Carter, D. Roche, M. Wells, G. Brock, S. Smothers.

"To Make the Best Better"

Senior 4-H Girls

Mrs. Pauline Cook, Advisor; Nelda Faye Hughes, Alma Jean Finch, Shirley Shipes, Janice Shores, Lottie Helms, Ramona Sanders, Annette Anderson, Patricia Parish, Margaret Yates.

The 4-H Club of our school was organized under the supervision of Mrs. Mary L. Minchin with Mrs. Pauline Cook as 4-H leader, the present supervisor being Mrs. Ruby McDonald.

The 4-H Club has been very active this past year. In November they took part in the Northwest Florida Fair. They have had a Christmas party, a dress review, and many other activities.

MRS. PAULINE COOK
Advisor

JANICE SHORES
President

ALMA JEAN FINCH
Secretary-Treasurer

PAT PARISH
Song Leader

LOTTIE HELMS
Vice President

SHIRLEY SHIPES
Reporter

The Play's the Thing

First row, front to back: Minnie Frances Gilmore, Patricia Lewis, Mary Dunn, Ernestine Helms, Crayton Shaw. Second row: Beverly Weaver, Cathryn Whitfield, Cynthia Sleezer, Ellen Gainer, Larry Bruner, Hilton Kelly. Third row: Shirley Owens, Yvonne Newsome, Vita Merl Pettis, Betty Sue Diehl, Barbara Syfrett. Fourth row: Herman Jenkins, Jeanelle Todd, President; Shirley Pettis, Margaret Bruner. Fifth row: James Moore, Wadell Jenkins, Shirley Swindle, Secretary-Treasurer.

Kneeling: Linda Sue Kinstle, Claudene Dunn, Mary Gilmore, Jerry Kendrick, John Snider, Mary Nita McDade, Gail Dykes. Standing: Carolyn Land, Scarlett Cook, Verdell Finch, Gretle McAdams, Florea Pettis, Shirley Story, Vice President; Muriel Wells, Mary Lou Lundholm, Karen Miller, Charlotte Sheffield, Linda Waller, Lana Carol Coatney, Reporter.

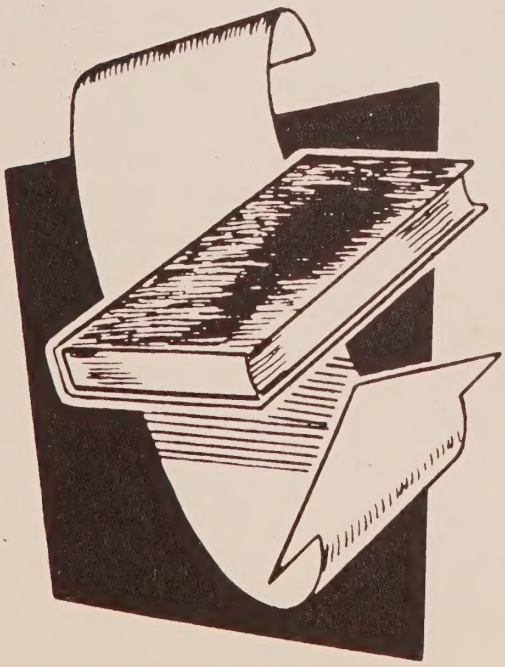
The Dramatic Club, organized in 1955-56, has always had a large membership. In previous years members have given several one-act plays in student assembly and Parent-Teacher Association meetings, one of the outstanding ones this year being "Love Hits Wilbur."

During regular meetings of the club, groups and individuals present plays, pantomimes, skits, character sketches and dramatic readings.

Members have opportunities to act, to design and construct scenery, to plan and execute stage settings, to do makeup and to design and make costumes.

"A Teacher Affects Eternity"

Members of the Vernon High School Future Teachers of America are as follows: First row: Barbara Knight, Lavern Haddock, Secretary and Treasurer; Nina Brock, Reporter; Mr. Johnson, Advisor; Mary Nell Woodham, President. Second row: Kathryn Russ, Claudette Wilson, Yvette Strickland, Vice President; Joan Levins.



MR. JAMES JOHNSON
Advisor

Today's Future Farmers

The Future Farmers display their hard-won pennants. Boys(above) who have maintained more than one year's membership are as follows: Kneeling: George Mercer Rogers, Eugene Pippin, Vaughn Galloway, Kenneth Brock, Lloyd Bruner, Arrey Burch, Royce Pippin, James Calvin Hagan, Roy Land, Henry Cook. Standing: McArthur Finch, Ben Wicker, Doyle Carter, Preston Haddock, Gene Leavins, Carlos Finch, Clyde Hood, Buddy Squires, Daniel A. Rogers, Harlon Harris, Alan McCullough, Junior Ferguson, Carlton Wells, Doyle Cumbie, Hubert Hayes, Felton Barfield, John Paul Cook, Dennis Hayes, Eli Carter, Edwin Bailey, Ronald Johnson, Jerry Syfrett, and Mr. Arol Hudson, Advisor.

The Vernon Chapter of the Future Farmers of America was organized in 1938, classes being held the first year in an old store building downtown. Later a new building to house vocational agriculture and home economics was constructed.

The chapter has consistently rated high in district and state competition. The last five years it has won twenty contests, bringing in $4500 in cash and prizes.

Officers for this year are as follows: Jesse Tyre, President; Edwin Bailey, Vice President; Doris Owens, Secretary; Donald Ray Smith, Treasurer; Henry Cook, Reporter; Donal Walsingham, Sentinel; Mr. Arol Hudson, Advisor.

Fill Tomorrow's Breadbasket

During the past twelve months the chapter has won a Ford tractor. Doris Owens won first place in farm judging at North Florida Fair in Tallahassee, and the forestry plot placed third in state competition.

During this school term the chapter attended the State Fair in Tampa. They planted five acres in pasture and produced thirty registered Duroc pigs on their laboratory plot.

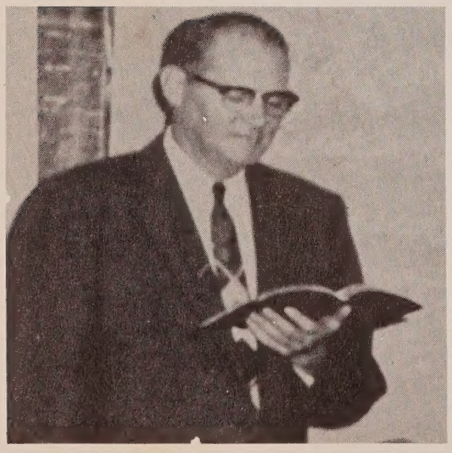
In February the boys received a $200 registered Polled Hereford heifer for an outstanding livestock program for the year.

New recuits for F. F. A. this year are (below) as follows:

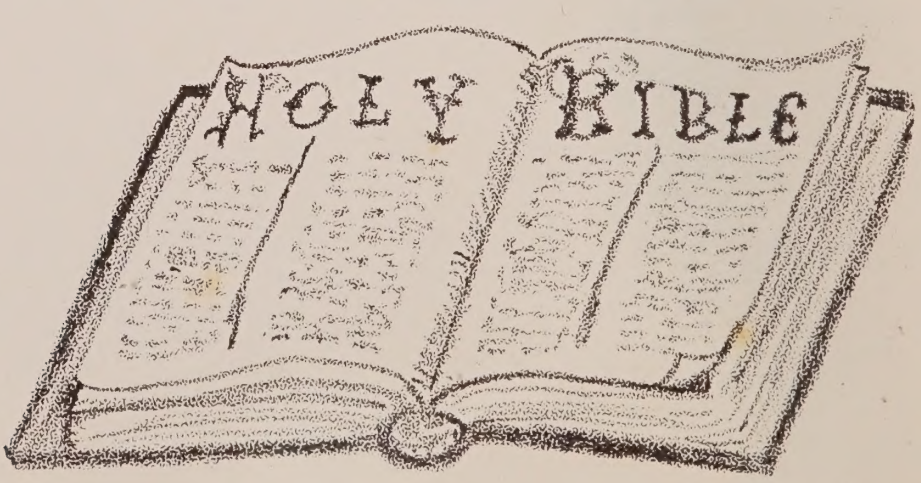
First row: Dewey Worley, George Baragona, Charles Brock, Lamar Faison, John Earl Walsingham, Wayne Helms, Charles Faison, Herman Jenkins, Roy Yates, Harry Marshall. Back row: Mildredge Carol, Donald Boyette, Wilson Leavins, Gerald Nelson, Curtis Porter, George Weekly, Harry Russ, W. D. Pettis, Paul Cook, Dalton Sheffield. Jimmy Goodson, Windell Riley, N. B. Pettis, Theodore Simmons, Waylon Harris, Broward Padgett, Thomas Cook, Kenneth Finch, Buddy Eberle, Joe Shores, Edsol Jenkins, and Rex Boyette (not pictured).

Remember Thy Creator

Members of the Devotional Club are as follows: First row: Lydia Russ, Mattielene Brewer, Flora N. Smith, Louise Brewer. Second row: Corene Hicks, Marie Sumner, Minnie Frances Finch, Vita Merl Pettis, Yvonne Newsom. Third row: Sara Lou Smith, Ruth Finch, Scarlett Cook, Judy Harrell, Lunell Grantham. Fourth row: Luvern Haddock, Louise Grantham, Gertrude Carter, Mary Elizabeth Diehl, Zonnie Jane Rogers. Standing: Merle Harris, Charlotte Sheffield, Barbara Morrell, Shirley Jean Pettis, Florene Strickland, Shirley Owens, Margaret Bruner, Carol Mercer, Joyce Haddock, Voncile Pettis, Betty Pitts, Mr. Upton, Advisor.



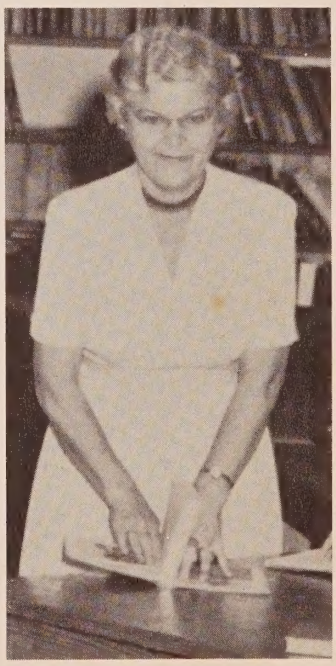
MR. R. E. UPTON
Club Advisor



Mightier Than the Sword

Seated: Doyle Cumbie, McArthur Finch, Herman Jenkins, James Tutton, Roy Yates, Betty Sue Diehl, Linda Hightower, Curtis Porter Jr., Verdell Finch, Gretle McAdams, Felton Barfield, Donald L. Morris. Standing: Dalton Sheffield, Shelton Smith, Shirley Story, Nina Brock, Royce Pippin, John Paul Cook, Patricia Parish, Alma Jean Finch, Anne Hare, Verla Mae Hendrix, Evelyn Dykes, Broward Padgett, Gracie Burke, Mamie Lou Carnley, Ernestine Helms, Alice Burnham, Nelda Faye Hughes.

The Library Council was organized in 1948. The local council became affiliated with the Florida High School Library Council in 1956. Last year it sent three members to the state convention in Leesburg and this year it sent six members. Only outstanding students qualify for this award. The council pays the expenses for each delegate.



Mrs. Annie Reva Beverett demonstrates the correct way to open a new book.

Head, Heart

First row: Mr. Kelly Brock, Advisor; Hill Bryant, Lamar Fasion, Henry Russ, Wilson Leavins, George Baragona, Troy Lee Collins, James Gilley, Buddy Squires, George M. Rogers, Gene Leavins, Felton Barfield. Second row: James C. Hagan, Kenneth Finch, Paul Cook, Secretary; Floyd Bruner, Doyle Carter, Treasurer; Curtis Porter Jr., John Paul Cook, Vice President; Donald L. Morris, Reporter; Broward Padgett, Dennis Hayes.

The 4-H Club was started in the county before 1928. Mr. Rich Whitting was the first county agent of which we have any record. We participate in the state 4-H livestock judging contest and take part in the West Florida dairy show and the North Florida Fair.

This year we participated in the county 4-H poultry contest, George Baragona receiving highest honor. Loran Paul Cook and Gary Hewett were winners of the county 4-H corn growing contest. Danny Kolmetz won high honors in the home garden contest.

Clyde Hood, President, shows the new 4-H recruits how to use the fire extinguisher. Each year the new members get to know and help carry out the project for that year.

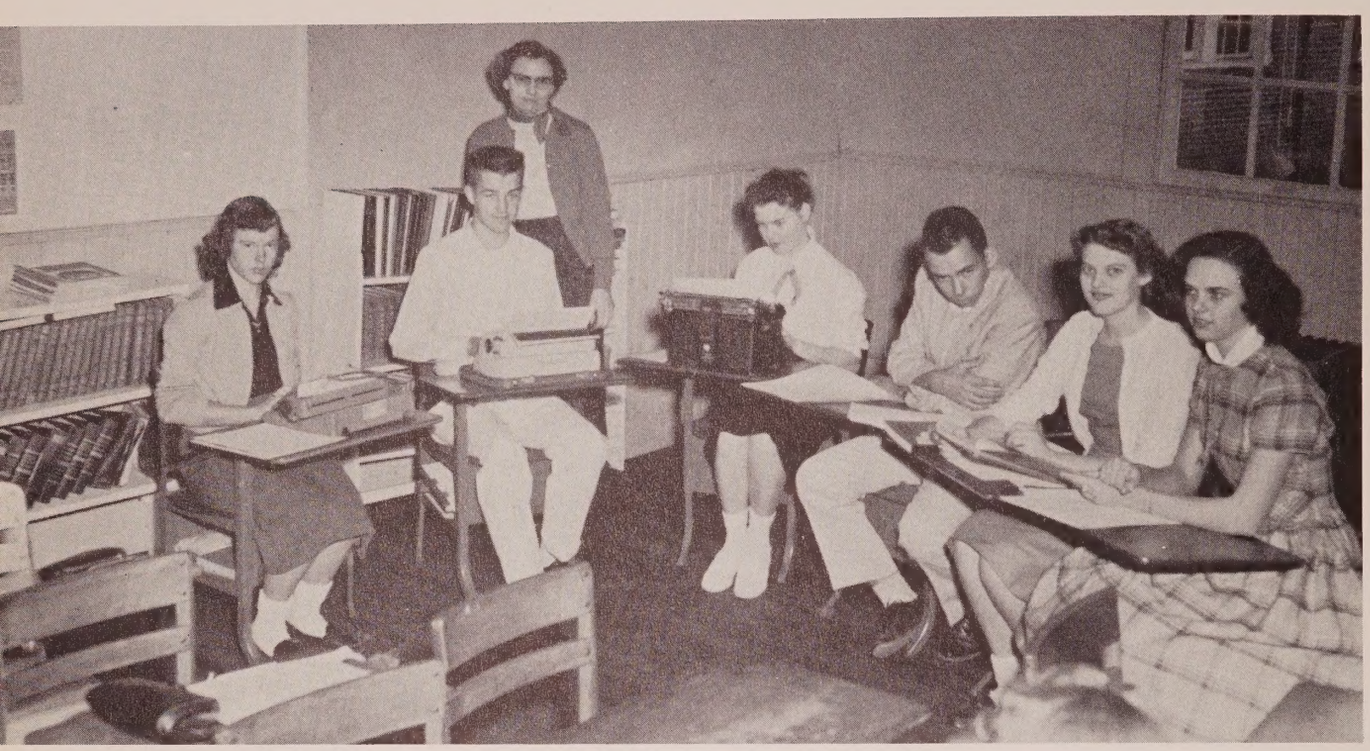
Health, Hands

Members of the club (above) are as follows: First row, left to right: Georgeanna Bonner, Yvonne Strickland, Linda Worley, Alline Morris, Diane Brock, Martha Taylor, Caroline Brewer, Paulette Marlow, Dorothy Boyette, Frances Brewer, Phala Worthington, Wanda Brock, Barbara Blair, Gwendolyn Finch, Nancy Kelly. Second row: Mrs. Mitchell, Advisor; Betty Haddock, Hazel Leavins, Frances Shaw, Audrey Hudson, Judy Brock, Janice White, Carol Hicks, Charlotte Johnson, Lorane Strickland, Margaret Perkins, Betty Stiller, Linda Revis, Loretta Wilson, Sara Porter, Shirley Gainey, Florene Strickland, Linda Ward, Pat McCarthy, Etta Clark.

Officers of the Junior 4-H Club are Charlotte Johnson, President; Yvonne Strickland, Vice President; Barbara Blair, Secretary-Treasurer; Betty Stiller, Reporter; Lorene Strickland, Game Leader; Loretta Williams, Song Leader.

Charlotte Johnson and Carol Ann Hicks attended the Interstate Fair in Tallahassee, as a judging team. They were among the overall "Top Ten" judging teams.

The Staff to Do



Jaunita Squires, Typist; Jay Bright, Typist; Mrs. Lottie M. Dykes, Advisor; Clara Kelly, Typist; Leonard Hinson, Business Manager; Virginia Ann Moody, Editor; Mary Bush, Copy Editor.

As we look through this book now and in years to come, we shall remember old times, old places, old friends, old faces. The VHS yearbooks hold within their covers many precious memories "to who? what? when? where?"

The first VHS yearbook was called the Verhiscan. This was for the year '48-'49. The next year it was given its present name.

The Jacket Buzz staff does other things besides put out the book. This year they sponsored a movie, "Song of the South," to raise funds for the book. Taking pictures was an important part of their work. Besides pictures for the yearbook, they supervised the photographing of both elementary and high school students.

More funds were raised by selling personal cards and invitations to the seniors.

In November Mr. Wright, their publishing company's representative, came and the staff selected the color and design of the cover and talked over other yearbook problems.

The yearbook and Beta float was decorated in blue and white. A scroll which was placed upon it read thus: "When the one great Victor comes . . . To write beside your name . . . He writes not if you won or lost . . . But how you played the game."

Riding the float was lovely Joan Levins, a sophomore. She was arrayed in a gown of yellow and held a basketball trophy. Later Miss Levins was tapped for Beta Club.

the Job . . .

Leonard Hinson, Mrs. Dykes, Mary V. Bush, and Virginia Moody all seem happy to be sending off the first shipment of the yearbook copy, which was completed and mailed December 19.

In October the yearbook staff and advisor, Mrs. Dykes, traveled to Pensacola for the meeting of the Northwest Florida Scholastic Press Association. Upon arrival they received paper, pen and other note-taking necessities, as well as a bag with an attached shoulder strap, in which to carry their materials.

After a devotional led by a Catholic priest, a Protestant minister, and a Greek Orthodox priest, they had a coke break. They then went to different rooms and talked to representatives and reporters. After this they lunched at the school they were visiting, Warrington Jr. High. Afterward they toured the Pensacola News Journal headquarters, where they saw the finished papers being folded. Each visitor was given a copy of the Journal as a souvenir of the trip.

Homeward bound, the travelers stopped at the Gulfarium in Fort Walton Beach. They decided to return there for their club party in the spring.

Virginia, Leonard, Mrs. Dykes, and Mary Virginia are equipped for attending yearbook conferences at N.W.F.S.P.A. in Pensacola.

Beta Club and yearbook salesmen (above) were Milbra Brock, Linda Hightower, Margaret Haddock, Foye Lawrence, Pat Parish, Leonard Hinson, Yvonne Parish, Rod Parrish, Julaine Johnson, Mary V. Bush, and Virginia Ann Moody.

No Frigate Like a Book

Front table (left): Edward Cook, Newton Brock, Howard Dykes, Daniel Wallace. Front table (right): Louise Brewer, Secretary-Treasurer; Barbara Morrell, President; Flora Nell Smith, Program Chairman. Back table (left): Bob Bush, Earnest Pippin, Jerry Cooper, James Tutton. Back table (right): John Elton Worthington, Harold Lee, Alcus Lee, Dale Taylor, Kenneth Bell, Wesley Anderson.

The Teen-age Book Club, which any high school student could then join, was organized in the fall of 1948. Because of the paucity of clubs in the high school at that time, so many students wanted to join the library would not hold them. Within recent years membership has been restricted to junior high students.

MRS. ANNIE R. BEVERETT
Club Advisor

Tomorrow's Scientists

Sitting: Jerry Kendrick, Dewey Worley, James Tutton, Harold Mallory, Loval Jones, Troy Lee Collins, Farol Taylor. Standing: Verla Mae Hendrix, Annette Anderson, Reggie Reddick, Doyle Cumbie, Harlon Harris, Charles Newton, Gene Leavins, Royce Pippin, John Paul Cook, Reporter; Eli Carter, Edwin Bailey. Dorothy Morrell, Treasurer; Herman Jenkins, Daniel A. Rogers, Shirley Swindle, Secretary; Nelda Faye Hughes, Donald Louis Morris, Jerry Syfrett, Ronald Johnson, Clyde Hood, President. Not pictured are Charles Taylor, Parliamentarian, and Doris Owens, Vice President.

Regular meetings of the Science Club have been held during the school year since its organization in September 1951. For several years it was necessary to limit membership to students who have taken general science, as many as sixty-nine being members in 1955. Various programs have been presented, though nothing so spectacular as a sputnik launching.

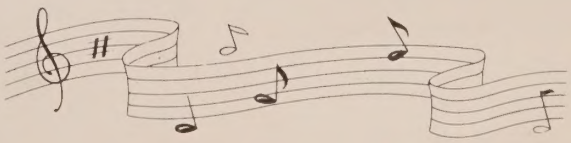
With national interest focused on the science programs in our secondary schools, the club hopes in the future to foster interest in science. The club is considering a science fair and some individual projects for members.

Although our members have not been able to compete up to now, several scholarships are available to outstanding students, some on a competitive basis others upon recommendation of principal and teachers.

MR. S. B. SIMMONS
Club Advisor

Hit the

Kneeling: Wanda Lawrence, Majorette; Julaine Johnson, Head Majorette. First row, standing: Anna Jo Adkins, Majorette; Patricia Sapp, Flute; Elton Russ, Cornet; Carol Hicks, Clarinet; Marcia Sapp, Clarinet; Janice Bruner, Flute; Carol Eberle, Clarinet; Charlotte Johnson, Baritone Saxophone; Mary Carter, Tenor Saxophone, Majorette. Second row: Judy Brock, Clarinet, Majorette; Frankie Brock, Clarinet; Ellen Gainer, Clarinet; Frances Shaw, Clarinet; Linda Bryant, Clarinet; Ernie Brock, Trombone; Barbara Knight, E-Flat Saxophone; Jackie Roche, Trombone; Allen Kelly, Cornet; Tyrone May, Cornet; Jerry Weeks, Cornet; Ted Bailey, Trombone; George Baragona, Cornet; Sandra Hightower, "F" Horn, majorette. Third row: Ruth Williams, Clarinet; Diane Roche, B-Flat Bass Clarinet; Muriel Wells, Clarinet; Gracie Brock, E-Flat Alto Clarinet; Shirley Shipes, Clarinet; Iris Hudson, Drum; Barbara McFatter, Clarinet; Milbra Brock, Drum; Kathryn Russ, E-Flat Alto Saxophone; Joe Well, Trombone; Angia Hinson, Cornet; Janice Shores, Drum. Fourth row: Annie Lou Wells, E-Flat Horn; Margaret Haddock, Drum; Jay Bright, E-Flat Alto Saxophone; Leonard Hinson, Cornet.



High Notes

VHS band was organized in 1951. That year it may not have been so good. The notes were sometimes sour, but the band played on. As years passed the members of the band learned more about the instruments and the music. Later they attended district festivals and in 1955-56 participated. They played and marched away with superior rating, the highest honor given. That year they attended state festival in Gainesville and received excellent rating.

As the majorettes pranced the band marched in the West Florida Championship Rodeo parade for several years.

Highlights of this year were attendance at district and state festivals and spring concert. In cooperation with the glee club, the band presented the Christmas concert.

Football games would not be complete without the halftime and band program. The outstanding performance of the year was presented at the home game between the Jackets and Sopchoppy. Intricate formations included the pinwheel, the letter "S" for Sopchoppy, the letter "V" for Vernon, and the hesitation strut.

GAIL CALHOUN
Mascot

Mr. Ernest Boone, Director, relaxes and gets in a little practice on his own.

Attention, Reporters!

The staff of our school paper, The Jackets' Sting, is a very busy group. Not only do they just write the copy, but news must first be collected. Reporters have to dig deep to find out all the facts about the latest.

In order to publish the paper you have to have funds. To raise the needed money, the staff ventured to the nearby towns and sold ads.

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Assistant Girls' Sports Editor - - - - - MARGARET HADDOCK

V — Victory

Front row: Cheerleader Yvonne Parish, Reporter; Coach Sam Mitchell; Cheerleader Barbara McFatter, Secretary. Second row: Buddy Dietz, Vice President; Rodney Parrish, Johnny Calhoun, President. Third row: Theodore Simmons, Preston Haddock, Hilton Kelly, David Mitchell. Fourth row: Royce Pippin, Bud Bruner, Jimmy Goodson. Fifth row: Wayne Carter, Clinton Hicks, Kenneth Faile, Jackie Roche, Jack Dorch. Sixth row: Charles Simmons, Daniel Martin, Wadell Jenkins, Herman Jenkins. Seventh row: Junior Ferguson, Jim Harrell, Larry Morrell, and Eli Carter.

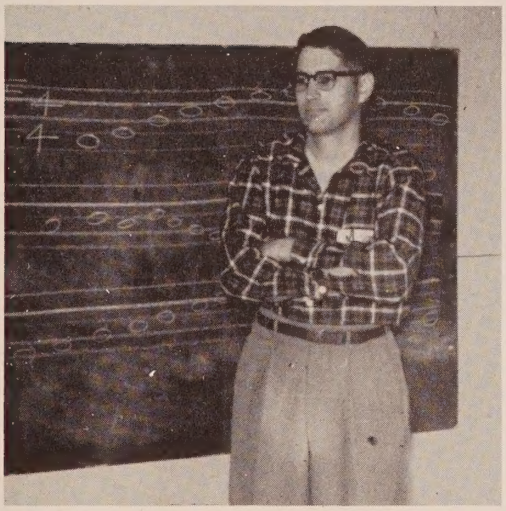
The V-Club has been in existence since the beginning of athletics at VHS. This particular club consists of boys and girls who have earned letters in athletics. A highlight of the year was their banquet on March 14 honoring the school athletes.

On the

First row: Norma Jean Felder, Second Soprano; Margery Pippin, Second Soprano; Nelda Tibbits, Second Soprano; Paulette Marlow, Alto; Gail Wells, Alto; Norma Jean Brock, Alto; Sonya Owens, Alto; Rebecca Stampley, Second Soprano; Claudette Wilson, Alto; Marcia Sapp, Second Soprano; Foye Lawrence, First Soprano; Julaine Johnson, Alto; Mr. Charles Tobias, Director. Second row: Mary Nell Woodham, Alto; Milbra Brock, Accompanist; Linda Hightower, Accompanist; Imogene Shaw, First Soprano; Yvette Strickland, Second Soprano; Arlene Smothers, Second Soprano; Phillis Bonner, Alto; Loretta Wilson, Second Soprano; Evelyn Mitchell, Alto; Gloria Jean Raley, Second Soprano; Kathryn Sheffield, Second Soprano; Beverly Weaver, First Soprano; Minnie Frances Gilmore, Alto. Third row: Shirley Smothers, Alto; Margaret Yates, Second Soprano; Barbara McFatter, Alto; Cynthia Sleezer, Alto; Floretta Carter, Alto; Virginia Ann Noody. First Soprano; Ramona Sanders, Second Soprano; Cathren Whitfield, Alto; Patricia Lewis, Second Soprano; Mary Jean Porter, First Soprano; Joan Levins, Alto. Fourth row: Gwendolyn Finch, Second Soprano; Lana Coatney, Second Soprano; Josephine Tutton, Second Soprano; Phala Worthington, Second Soprano; Frankie Brock, Alto; Mary Lou Lundholm, Second Soprano; Audry Hudson, Second Soprano; Leola Sellers, Second Soprano; Sharon Tibbits, Second Soprano.

Up Beat!!

Mr. Tobias directs the choir in the Parent-Teacher Association meeting.

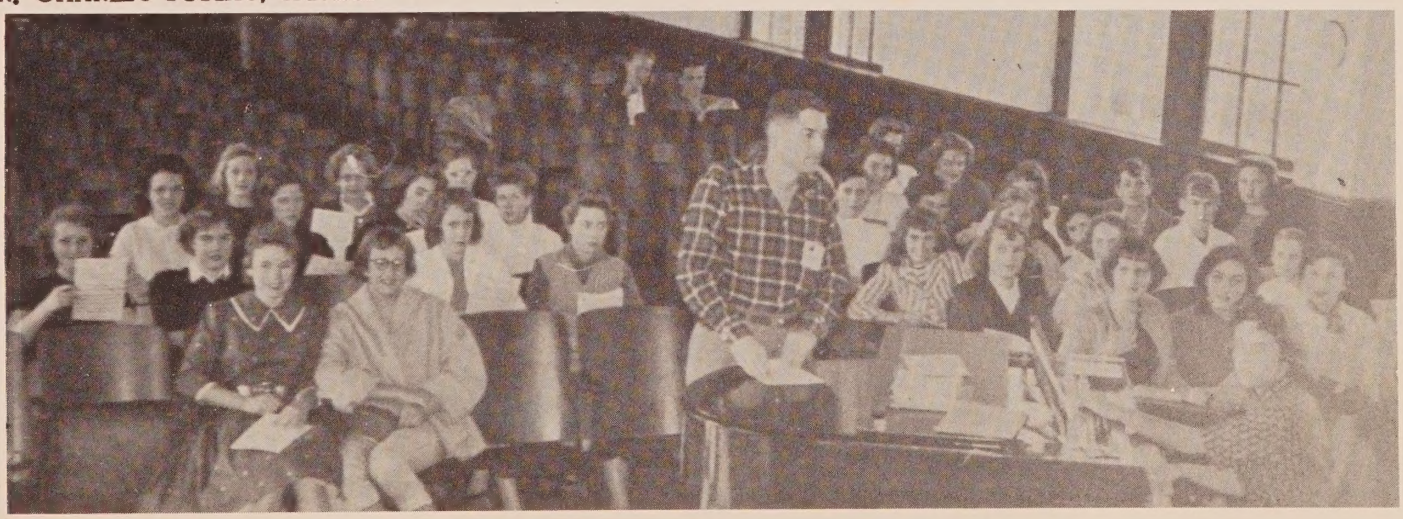


MR. CHARLES TOBIAS, Advisor

On a cool night in December, the 12th to be exact, the VHS choir entertained the P. T. A. at their regular meeting. There was no heat in the main building; therefore the meeting was held in the school cafeteria.

The numbers sung were "Away in a Manger" by Martin Luther; "We Wish You a Merry Christmas," an old folk song; and "Christmas Lullaby," written by Charles H. Gabriel.

This year for the first time the whole glee club, which consists of a girls' chorus, meets at the same period in the auditorium. The lack of this practice period has, in the past, counted against our choir in the district and state festival ratings.



The choir gets in a little practice during activity period.

Wheels in

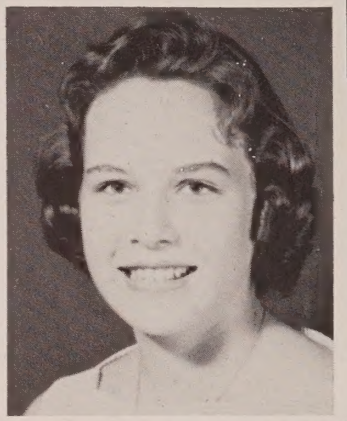
Vernon High School Student Council saw its glorious beginning in the year of 1948-49. The constitution had been written the previous year.

In 1955-56 the council took as a project the buying of curtains for the auditorium stage and windows. Progress has been some what slow on this project. However this year the other school clubs have combined their efforts on this project with the council's.

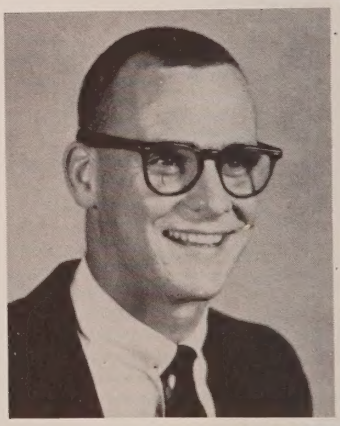
In 1956 and '57, the council sponsored and planned homecoming activities. For two years the group has been responsible for assemblies, fire drills, and hall traffic plans.

This organization works constantly for an improved school and better students.

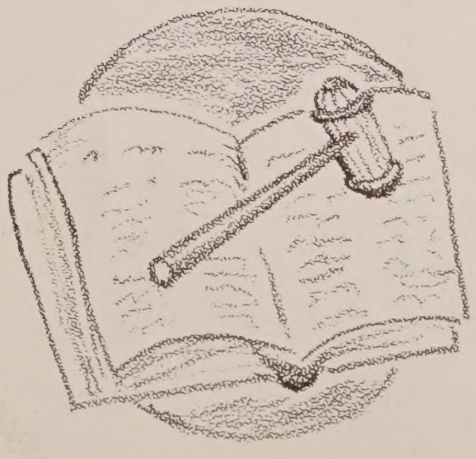
This year the council plans to draw up a new constitution. It also plans to continue with the other, older projects.



MILBRA BROCK
Vice President



RODNEY PARRISH
President



Government

MR. JAMES RUSS
Advisor

BARBARA SYFRETT
Secretary-Treasurer

Seated on the pillar (in picture below) are Rodney Parrish, grade 12; Milbra Brock, 11; James Russ, Advisor; Barbara Syfrett, 10.

First row: Linda Hightower, 12; Yvonne Parish, 11; Margaret Haddock, 11; Iris Hudson, 11; Barbara McFatter, 12; Norma Jean Brock, 7; Danny Kolmetz, 7; Reggie Reddick, 8; Jerry Kendrick, 7.

Second row: Muriel Wells, 9; Julaine Johnson, 12; Dianne Roche, 9; Becky Stampley, 9; Joan Levins, 10; Allen Kelly, 8.

Third row: Margaret Bruner, 10; Janice Shores, 11; Pat Parish, 11; Rea Hammock, 12; Gail Dykes, 9; Mary Jeane Porter, 10; Clyde Hood, 12.

Standing: Shirley Owens, 10; Johnny Calhoun, 11; Buddy Dietz, 12.

Court

In these rooms we have shared many moments of school life. We anticipated "moving up" from one room to another. From one grade to another. We studied hard and we played hard. We fought and we made lasting friendships.

We remember the day we moved into the building. It was really a wonderful and exciting day. We had been going to school in various places since the old elementary building had burned to the ground in 1946.

The old building was located downtown in front of the Methodist church. It consisted of grades 1-6, and contained two-stories.

The present elementary school was constructed in 1947-48.

This is the court between the elementary and high school buildings. The auditorium is the third side of the court.

"I do believe the world is swinging toward the light."

So spoke a soul on fire with holy flame.

Amid the dark such faith pierced through the night,

The dreamers wrought, and living fruitage came.

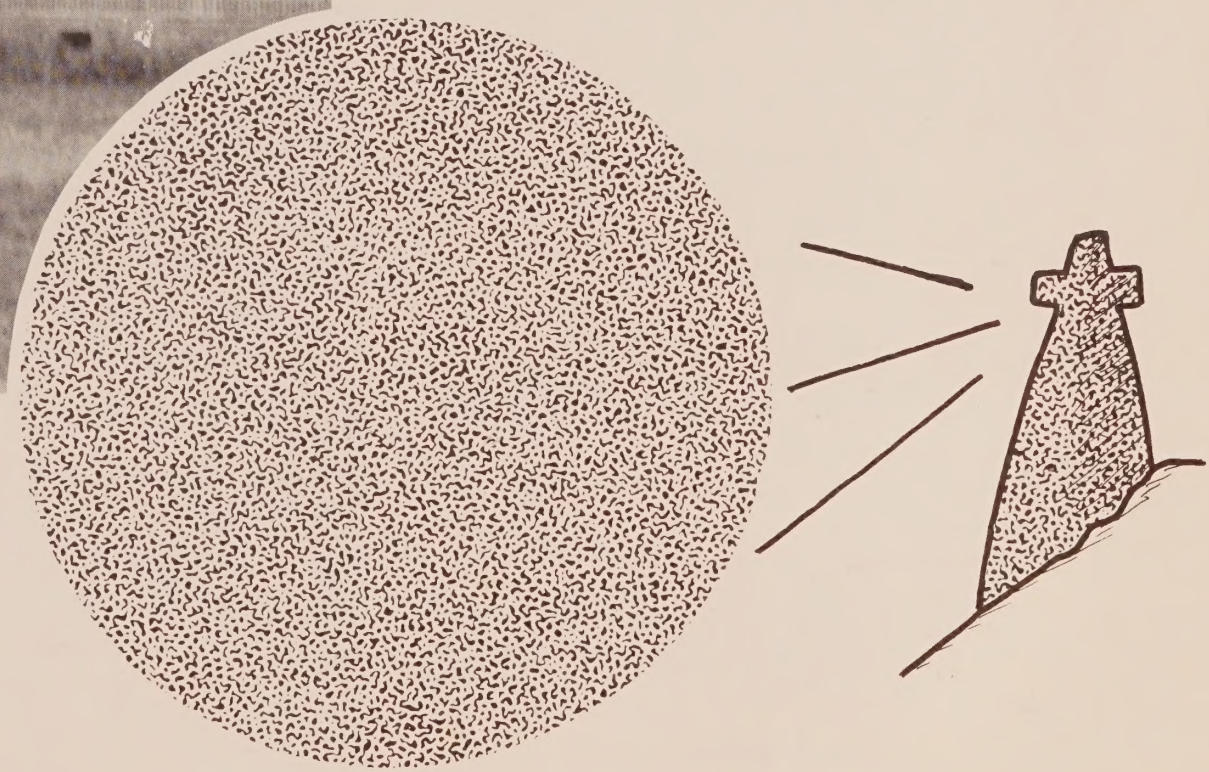
To give of self and not to count the cost,

To learn, to teach, to labor, and to pray,

To serve like Christ the least, the last, the lost---

These were the beacon fires that lit the way.

Georgia Harkness



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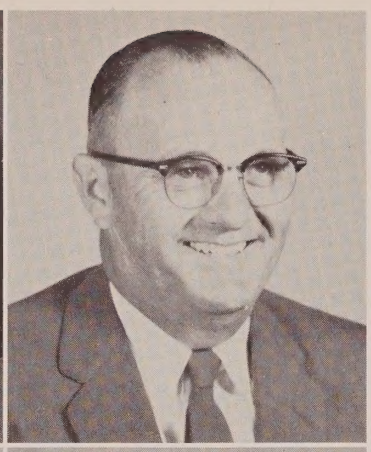
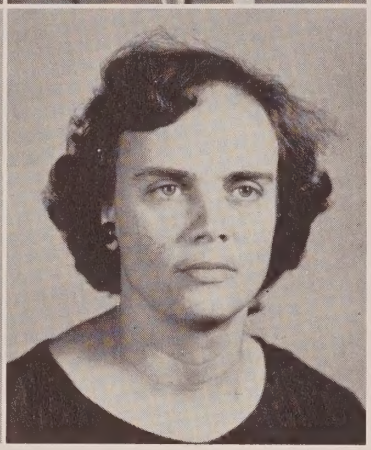


ARCHIE C. HUTCHISON
Master of Arts in Education
Principal

HOWARD H. BRUNER
Bachelor of Arts in Education
Bookkeeping



DORIS G. NEWSOM
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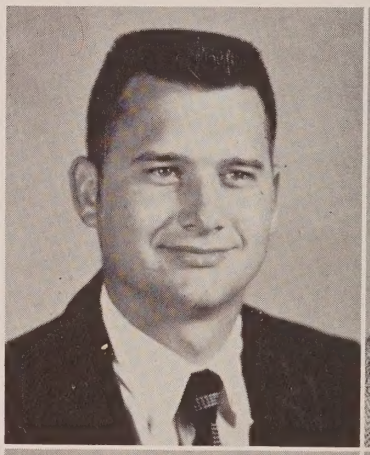
Mathematics, History, English

PAULINE COOK
Bachelor of Science in Vocational
Home Economics
Homemaking

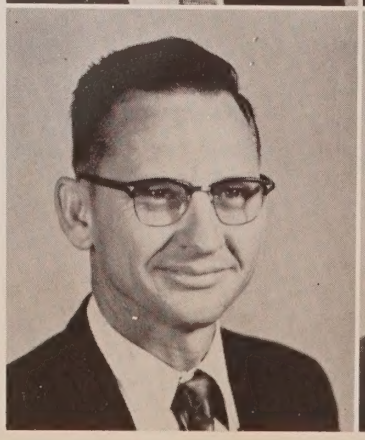


KELLY BROCK
Bachelor of Science in Education
History, Mathematics

OLLIE A. WELLS
Bachelor of Science in Education
Science, English, Social Studies

JAMES H. JOHNSON JR.
Bachelor of Science in History and
Social Studies
Mathematics

ANNIE REVA BEVERETT
Bachelor of Science in Education
Master of Science in Library Science



STEPHEN B. SIMMONS
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Master of Science in Education
Science

ERNEST WILLIAM BOONE
Bachelor of Science in Music
Education
Band, Music, Science

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CHARLES TOBIAS JR.
Bachelor of Science
Vocal Music, Glee Club

LILLIAN HIGHTOWER
Bachelor of Arts in English
English

RAY A. HORNE
Master of Science in Administration and Supervision
Physical Education, Mathematics, Science

LOTTIE M. DYKES
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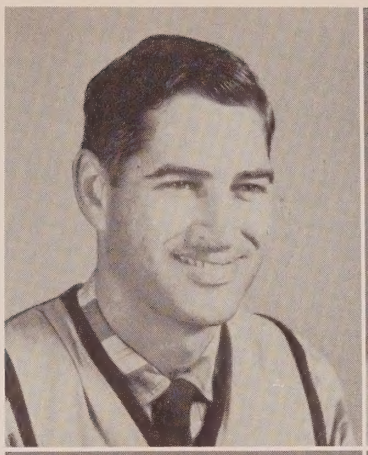
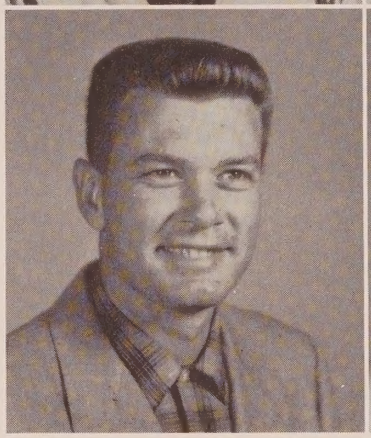
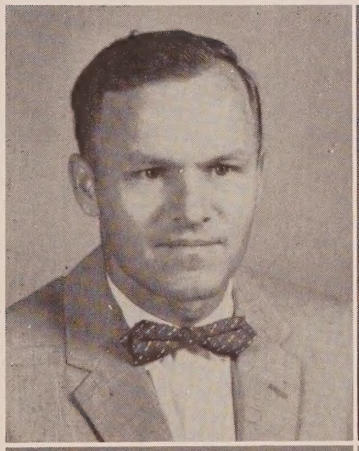
Post Graduate
English, World History







JAMES RUSS JR.
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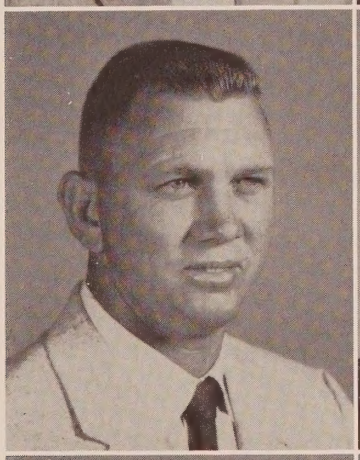
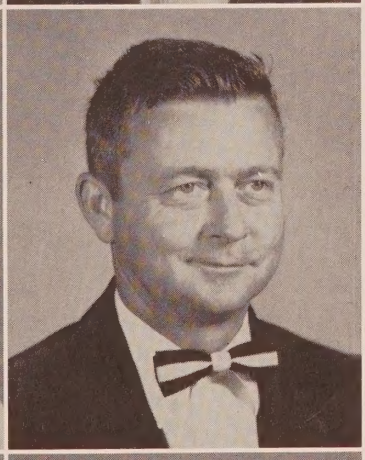
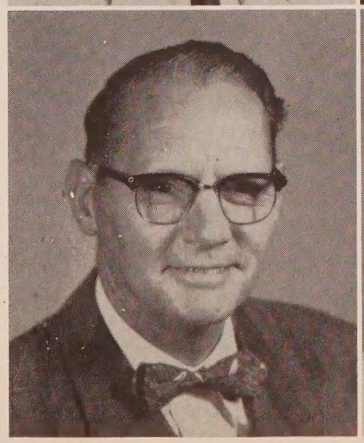
Social Studies

IRVING ROCHE
Bachelor of Arts in Education
Typing, Shorthand

SAM MITCHELL
Master of Arts in Physical Education and School Administration
Coach, Physical Education

AROL HUDSON
Bachelor of Science in Agriculture
Agriculture



RALPH E. UPTON
Bachelor of Science in Education
Master of Science in Education
Social Studies

NELLIE MITCHELL
Physical Education

MR. BRUNER and
MRS. BOYETTE

Besides teaching courses in subject matter areas, Vernon High faculty members are active participants in extracurricular school and community affairs. Mrs. Cook is advisor to both the Vernon Chapter of F. H. A., and Senior 4-H. She is also sponsor of the teacher's lounge project and president of Vernon Garden Club.

Advisor of F. F. A., Mr. Hudson is a member of the Farm Bureau and of Vernon Lions Club, as well as a State F. F. A. Advisory Board member. He is also mayor of the city of Vernon.

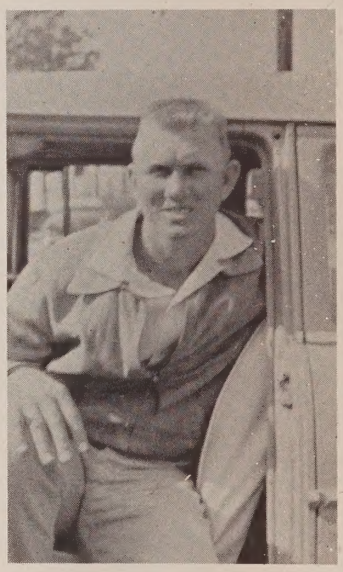
Head coach and advisor of V-Club, Mr. Mitchell is Washington County representative to the Florida Legislature.

Student Council advisor, Mr. Russ is reporter for Washington County Education Association and a member of the executive committee of P. T. A. He is a member of the city council and Boy Scouts committeeman. He is also superintendent of Vernon Baptist Sunday school.

Mrs. Newsom is an active member of Vernon Methodist Church, being superintendent of the children's division in Sunday school, Sunday school teacher, and Junior MYF counselor.

MRS. COOK

MR. HUDSON



MR. MITCHELL

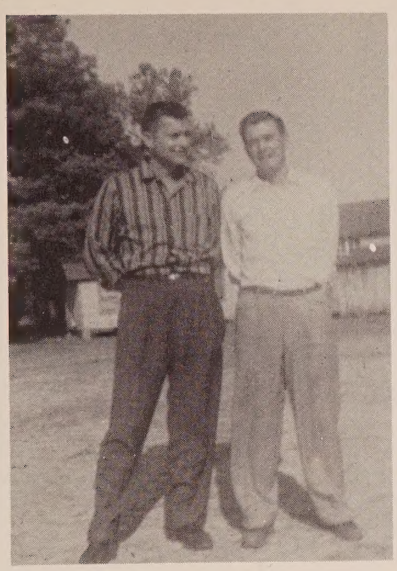
MR. RUSS and
MRS. NEWSOM

Co-advisor of the junior class, Mrs. Hightower directs the junior class play and advises the Dramatic Club. She also serves on the Advisory Board of F. H. A. and is secretary-treasurer of Vernon Garden Club.

Mrs. Mitchell is sponsor of Junior Girls' 4-H and of the Cheerleaders.

MRS. MITCHELL

MRS. HIGHTOWER



MR. BROCK and
MR. HORNE

Mr. Brock and Mr. Horne play on the "Greats" basketball team. Mr. Brock is also advisor to the Boys' 4-H Club.

Sponsor of both the Library Council and the Teen-Age Book Club, Mrs. Beverett is active in Vernon Methodist Church, teaching the older ladies' Sunday school class and serving as the chairman of the commission on membership and evangelism.

Mr. Upton, sponsor of the Devotional Club, is superintendent of West Florida Baptist Association Sunday school organization. In addition to being an ordained minister, he is president of the Adult Union in Vernon Baptist Church.

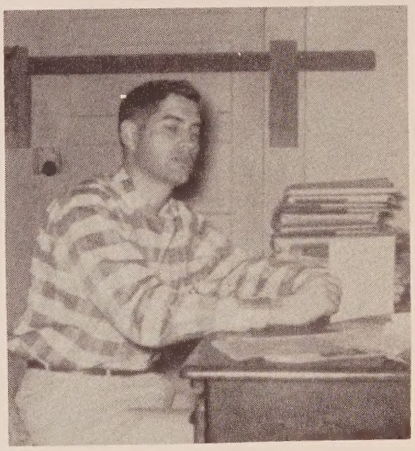
MRS. BEVERETT and MR. UPTON

MR. BOONE and MRS. WELLS

Band director, Mr. Boone is both co-sponsor of the junior class and a member of Vernon "Greats." He also directs the choir and serves as president of the young adults Sunday school class in Vernon Baptist Church.

Director of the Vernon High Glee Club, Mr. Tobias directs several choirs in First Baptist Church, Chipley.

Mrs. Wells is an active member of Vernon Baptist Church.



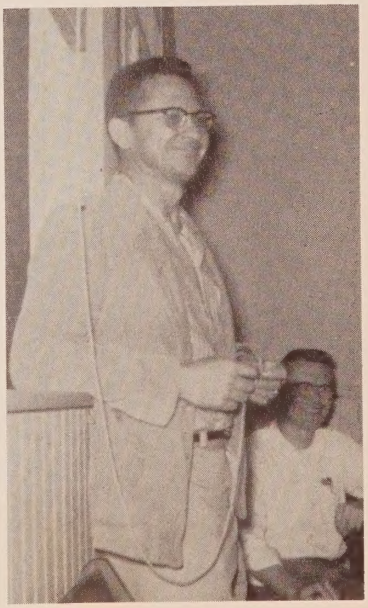
MR. TOBIAS

Mr. Simmons is advisor of the Science Club, and Mr. Johnson, an ordained Baptist minister, is advisor of the Future Teacher's of America Club.

MR. ROCHE and MRS. DYKES

Co-Advisor of the senior class, Mr. Roche is advisor of the paper staff and has charge of all school publicity. He also operates an ice cream box, which students visit at recess.

Co-Advisor of the senior class, Mrs. Dykes is advisor of both the Beta Club and The Jacket Buzz staff. She is a member of the P. T. A. program committee and of the National Council of Teachers of English. She is superintendent of training and group leader of the adult union in Vernon Baptist Church.



MR. SIMMONS and
MR. JOHNSON

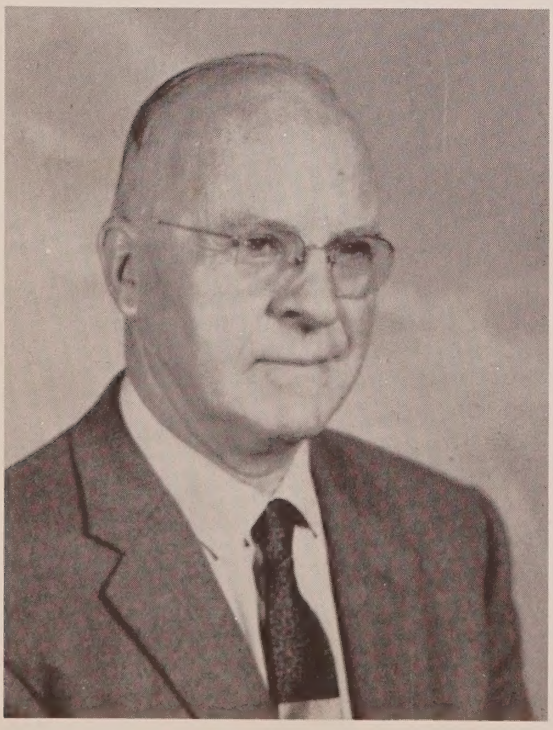
A Lighthouse of Authority

Members of Washington County School Board (above) are as follows: Seated: Mr. Leon R. Cox, Mr. J. A. Douglass, Mr. C. H. Brock. Standing: Mr. W. G. Mercer, Mr. J. E. Haddock, and Mr. W. T. McFatter Jr., superintendent.

As superintendent of public instruction in Washington County, Mr. McFatter assumes responsibility for overall administration of the county school system. Graduating seniors look forward each year to that point on the commencement program: "Presentation of Diplomas-
Mr. W. T. McFatter Jr. . ."

To Mr. Pierce is due the credit for the following "well-known principle of marksmanship," with its application. "When the target at which you are shooting is some distance from you, set your sight on a point directly above the target and pull the trigger. The same principle applies in life. If you desire maximum success, set your sight on a point directly above your goal, shift to high gear, and drive vigorously toward it."

Mrs. Leonard tells us that her wish for all her students is that they might "strive for intellectual achievement, foster morality, happiness, and useful ability. May each student practice self-discipline and strive to develop each talent to the fullest."



MR. H. R. PIERCE
County Supervisor

MRS. AGNES McKINNA LEONARD

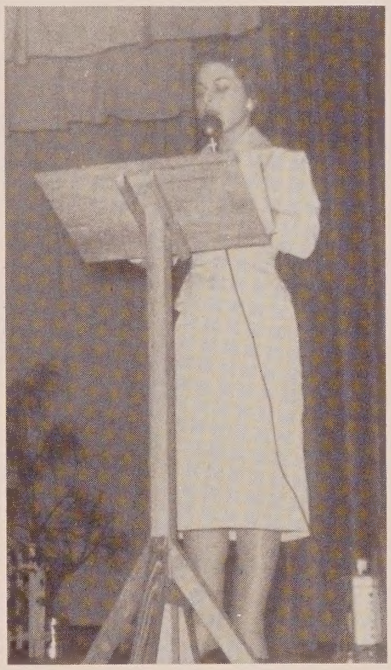
Leads Us on

Organized in 1950, Vernon Parent-Teacher Association has consistently proved itself an asset to the school.

Outstanding projects of the past have been planting shrubbery on the campus and buying band uniforms.

This year the P. T. A. went beyond its goal in membership, and in every way has taken on new life. Officers are as follows: Mrs. Robert Stampley, President; Mr. Alex Sapp, Vice President; Mrs. John Brock, Treasurer; Mrs. Henry A. Brock, Secretary; Mr. Arol Hudson, Parliamentarian. Chairmen of Committees are the following: James Russ Jr., Ways and Means; Mrs. Margie Boyette, Membership; Mrs. Ernest Dalton, Refreshments; Mrs. Helen Syfrett, Publicity.

Mrs. Stampley (above) presides, momentarily, over the refreshment table at February P. T. A. meeting.



Virginia Moody (above, left) models her gray wool flannel jumper with matching plaid jacket in February P. T. A. meeting. Julaine Johnson (right) acts as emcee, when the Future Homemakers present a dress review.

Mrs. Henry A. Brock, secretary (standing), reads the minutes at the December P. T. A. meeting. Mrs. John Brock, treasurer (seated at left), later reads her report. Mrs. Stampley peruses the agenda for this meeting.

MRS. ALEENE S. FRANZ
County Art Instructor

Mrs. Franz tacks up pictures of Dramatic Club members. When posters, murals, stage props, and the like are needed, she is always there to advise and assist.

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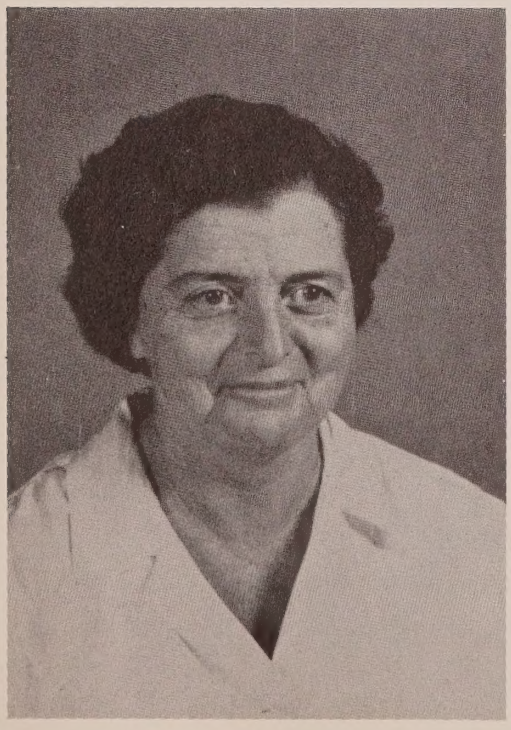
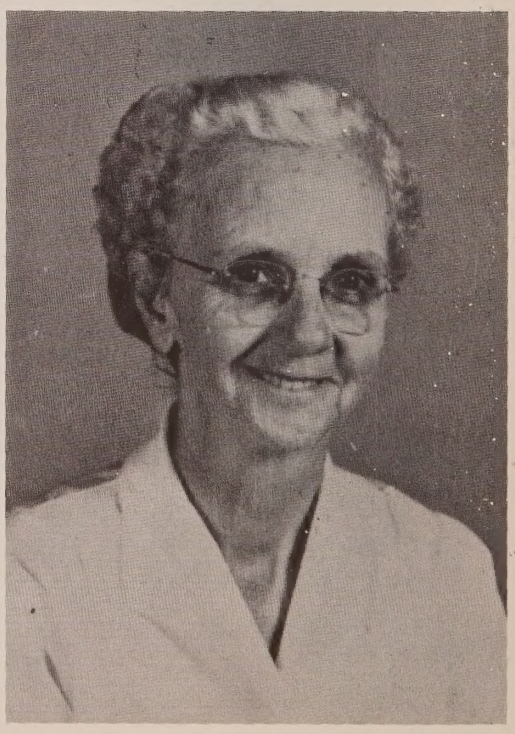
MRS. MARGIE BOYETTE
Office Secretary

MRS. DEE ROCHE
Lunchroom Supervisor

MRS. SADIE KNIGHT
Lunchroom Worker



MRS. PHILO DIETZ
Lunchroom Worker



MRS. PENNY SCOTT
Lunchroom Worker

Serve

Twelve buses transport about 85% of VHS students.

Drivers (above) are as follows: Mr. Otis Hammock, Mr. David E. Cook, Mr. Clark Rogers, Mr. H. T. Walter, Mr. J. A. Wells, Mr. Roland Jenkins, Mr. A. M. Swindle, Mr. Robert Hudson, Mr. Freddie Kolmetz, Mr. Ernest Worthington, Mr. C. W. Todd, and Mr. Nevil Brock (not pictured).

MR. MILTON HOWELL
Janitor

High School Gymnasium

Here many memorable events in our lives have occurred. We have taken a tremendous step toward adulthood here.

For here we have experienced our final moments of school life. The Junior-Senior Prom and graduation are two that will long remain nestled in our hearts.

Not only have we experienced these high exhilarating moments of life here, but we have seen our cheerleaders inspire our winning basketball team to victory. Our variety shows and other events have taken place here.

Here ghouls have scared small children as Halloween night approached. The carnival with all its splendor and marvels was held in the gym.

We have experienced our high points and our low points here. We have laughed and we have cried. We have won and we have lost.

The gym was built in 1950-51. At the time it was constructed it was considered the best in the district.

TO AN ATHLETE DYING YOUNG

The time you won your town the race
We chaired you through the marketplace;
Man and boy stood cheering by, and home we
brought you shoulder-high.

Today, the road all runners come,
Shoulder-high we bring you home,
And set you at your threshold down,
Townsman of a stiller town.

Smart lad, to slip betimes away
From fields where glory does not stay,
And early though the laurel grows,
It withers quicker than the rose.

So set, before its echoes fade,
The fleet fast on the sill of shade,
And hold to the low lintel up
The still-defended challenge-cup.

William Butler Yeats

GERALD NELSON
Second Base

Scoreboard

Campbelton	-	Lost
Bonifay	-	Lost
Chipley	-	Won
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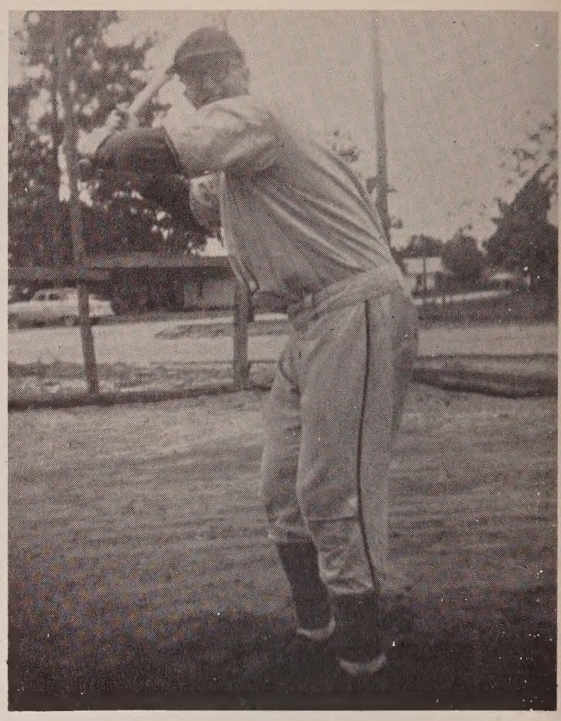
Chipley	-	Lost
Campbelton	-	Lost
Bonifay	-	Lost

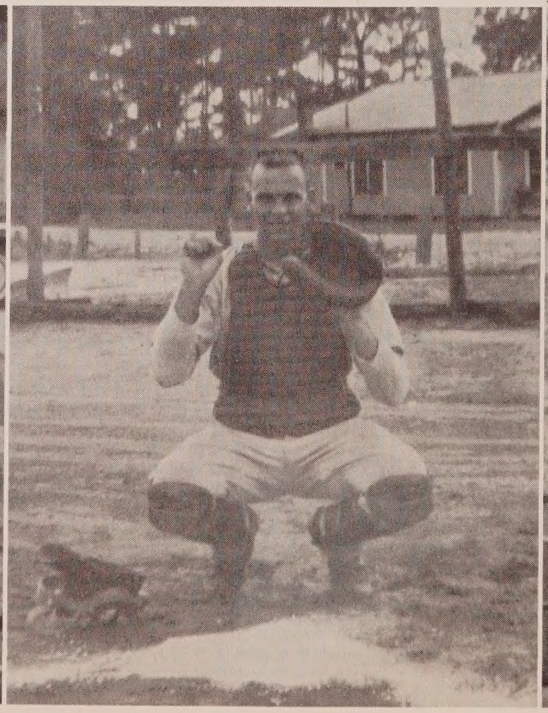


JOHNNY CALHOUN
Outfield

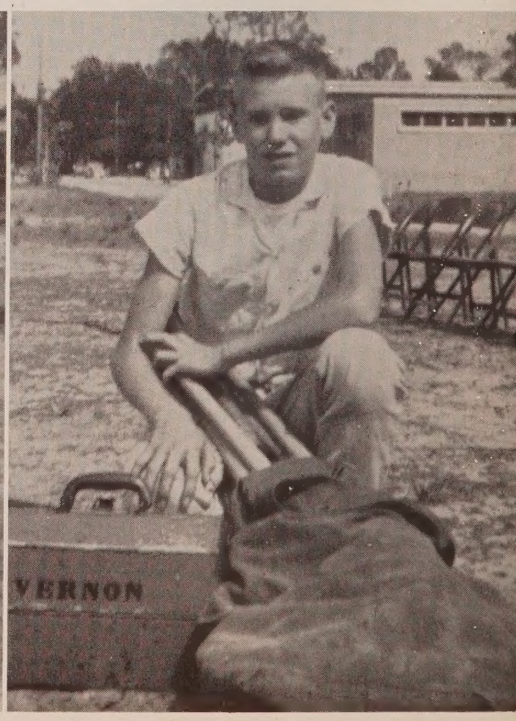
1957 Baseball Team

Top row: Johnny Calhoun, Buddy Dietz, Gene Hudson, Rodney Parrish, Bryward Brock, Philip Waller, Coach Virgil Stewart. Second row: Daniel Martin, Larry Bruner, Tom Hammond, David Mitchell. Bottom row: Theodore Simmons, Aaron Todd, Gerald Nelson, Cecil Miner, Manager Jimmy Jordan.

VIRGIL STEWART
Coach



RODNEY PARRISH
Catcher



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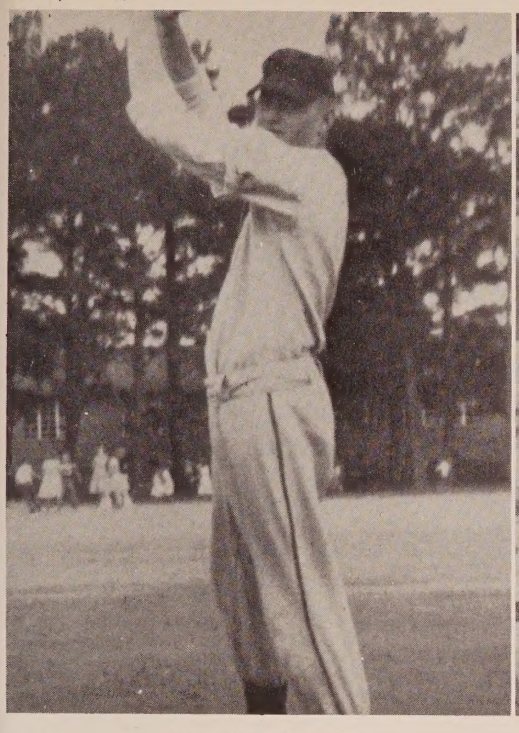

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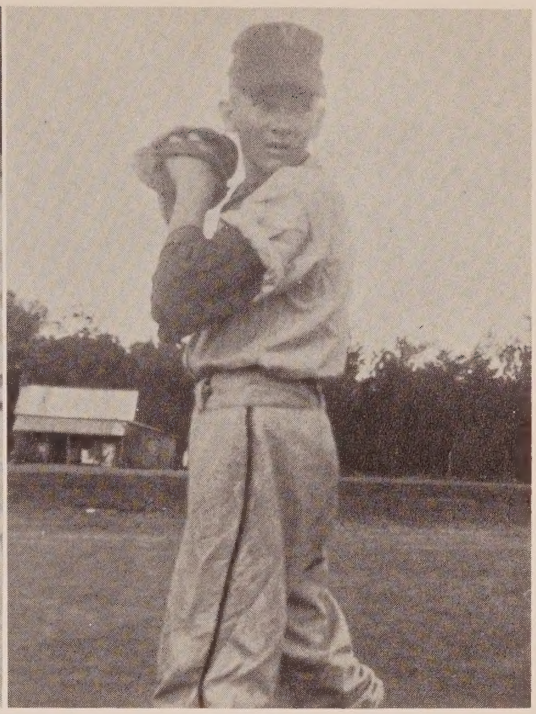
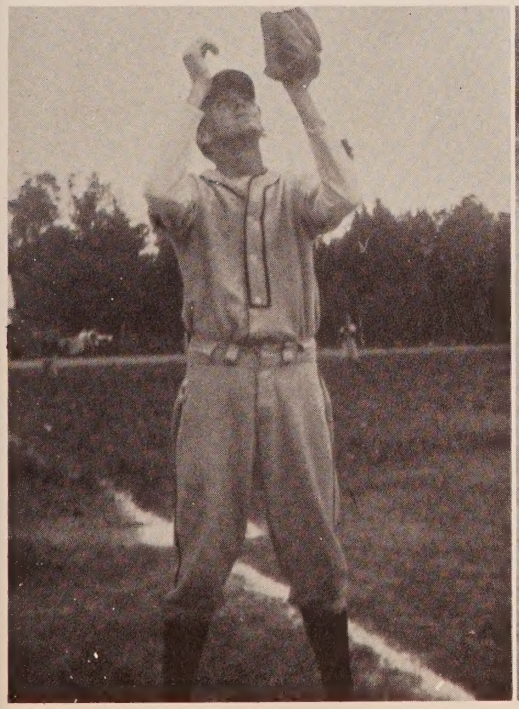


CLINTON HICKS
Pitcher

The Yellow Jackets' substitutes played a big part in the success of the team. They are - standing: David Mitchell, Bryward Brock, Theodore Simmons. Kneeling: Larry Bruner, Daniel Martin.



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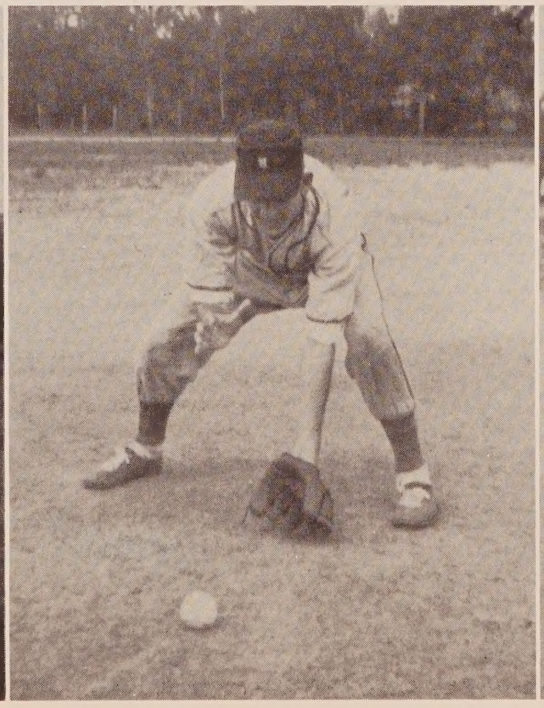

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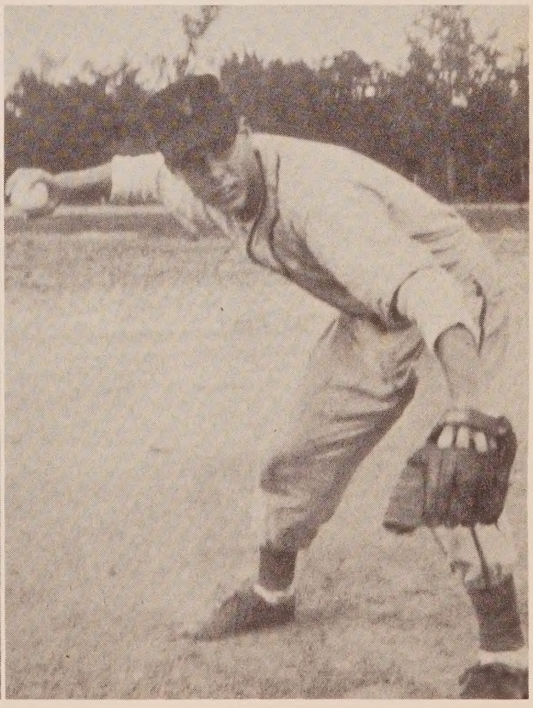


AARON TODD
Shortstop

Our Team's Inspiration

Our peppy cheerleaders: Barbara McFatter, Jeanelle Todd, Yvonne Parish, and Dorothy Morrell.

Barbara McFatter, a senior, has been on the squad for a total of three years and has been a member of V-Club two years.

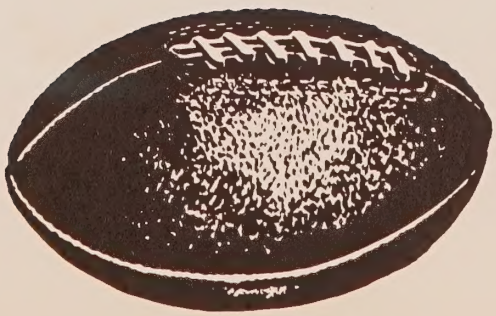
Dorothy Morrell, a sophomore, has participated in cheering for two years and has been a V-Club member one year.

Yvonne Parish, junior, has been a cheerleader for four years and a member of V-Club for three years.

Jeanelle Todd, a sophomore, joined the squad this year. She will earn a letter and be eligible for V-Club next year.

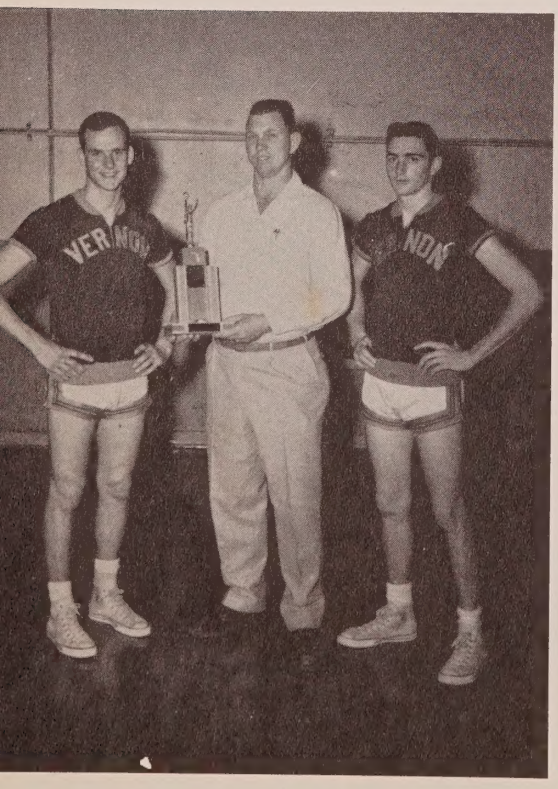
Sports Autographs

VHS



On to Victory

The Jackets' A-Team (above); Clinton Hicks, Guard; Wadell Jenkins, Guard; Jim Harrell, Forward; David Mitchell, Guard; Rodney Parrish, Forward; Buddy Dietz, Center; Hilton Kelly, Forward; Johnny Calhoun, Forward; Herman Jenkins, Guard. Kneeling: Adron Coatney, Charles Simmons, Managers; Coach Mitchell, and Danny Kolmetz, Manager.



At the state tournament last year Rod Parrish and Buddy Dietz, both seniors, helped win the beautiful trophy Coach Mitchell is holding.

Scoreboard

VHS	37	Bonifay	34
VHS	59	Bonifay	22
VHS	56	Graceville	39
VHS	51	Baker	50
VHS	60	Baker	62
VHS	49	Grand Ridge	34
VHS	49	Blountstown	37
VHS	54	Greenwood	47
VHS	54	Chattahoochee	60
VHS	43	Greenwood	44
VHS	44	Graceville	47
VHS	51	Blountstown	44
VHS	47	Cottondale	43
VHS	45	Ponce de Leon	36
VHS	40	Campbellton	52
VHS	43	Port St. Joe	53
VHS	65	Ponce de Leon	40
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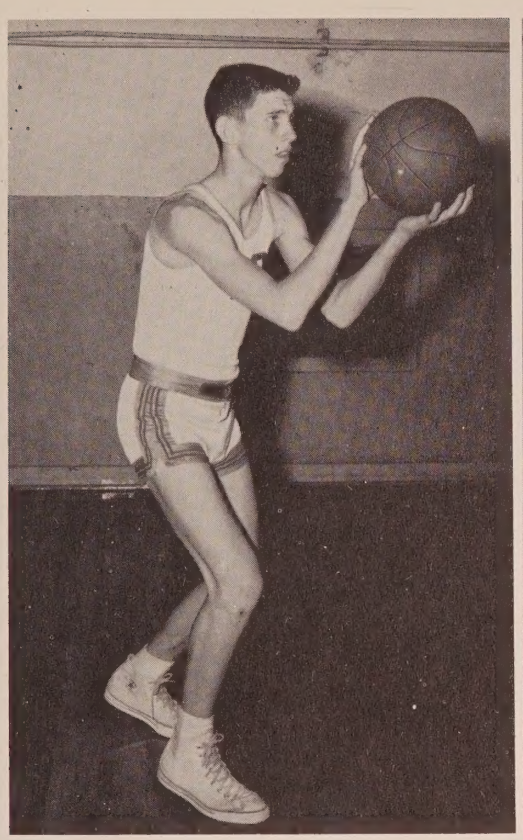
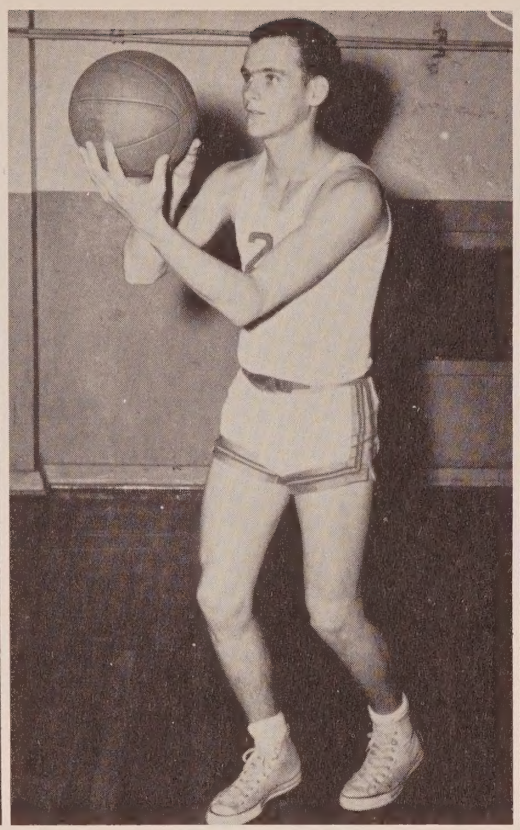


DAVID MITCHELL
Guard



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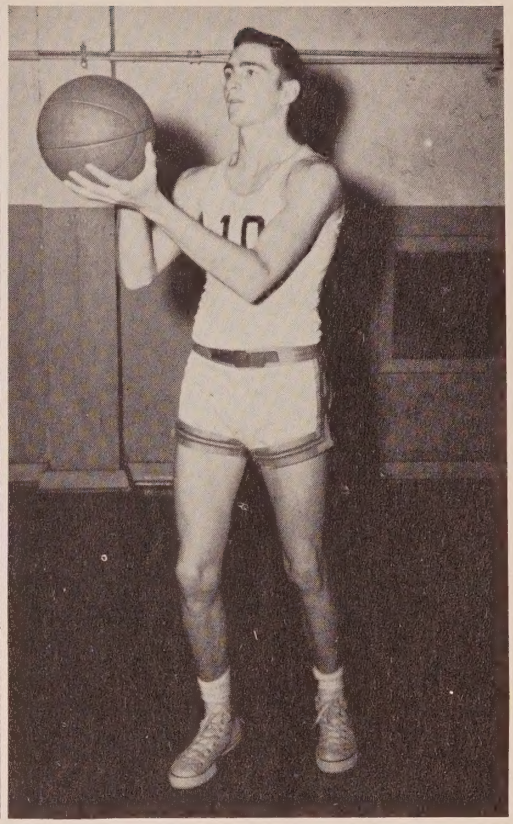
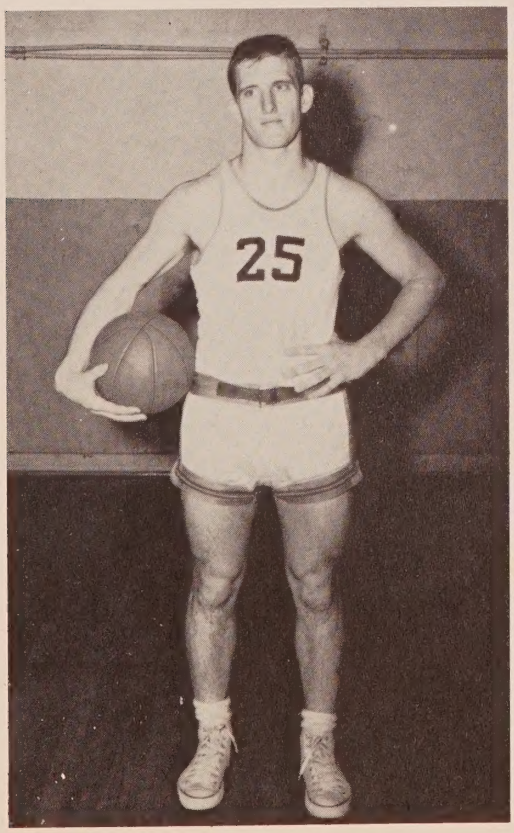


BUDDY DIETZ
Center

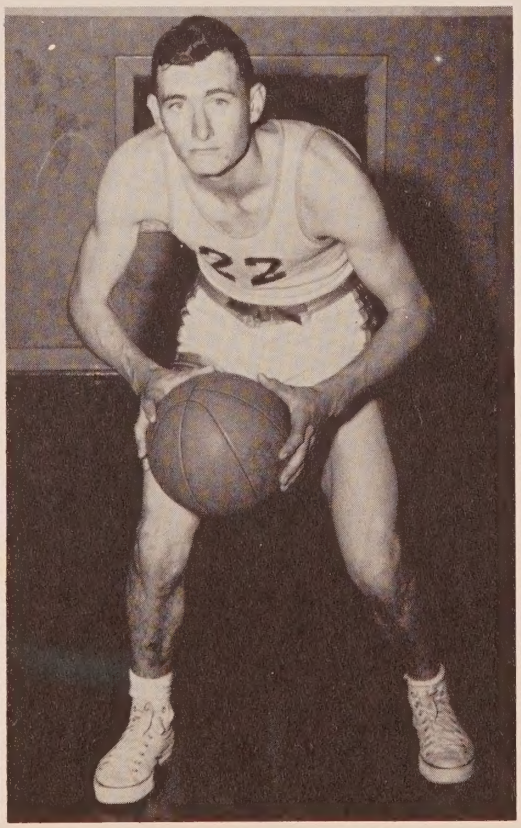
In the tournaments the Jackets worked very hard for the championship. In the Christmas Tourney, Vernon was host team. The Jackets crippled the Chipley Tigers in the first game 64-44. In the finals the Jackets downed Blountstown 48 to 43.

In the Conference Tournament held in Graceville, Graceville stopped the Jackets in a tight game 38-37.

In the semi-finals the Jackets clipped Blountstown 47-39. In the finals Vernon went out ahead of Chattahoochee 56-38. In the long-looked-for District Tournament at Baker the Jackets crippled the Ponce de Leon team 68-53. The tense waiting time came in final game with Walnut Hill, when during the last three minutes overtime, they beat us 65 to 58.



JOHNNY CALHOUN
Forward



JIM HARRELL
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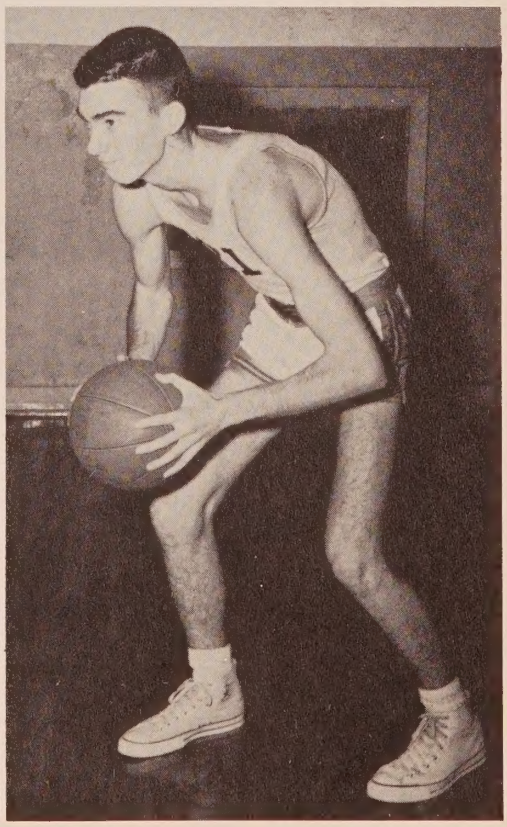

HILTON KELLY
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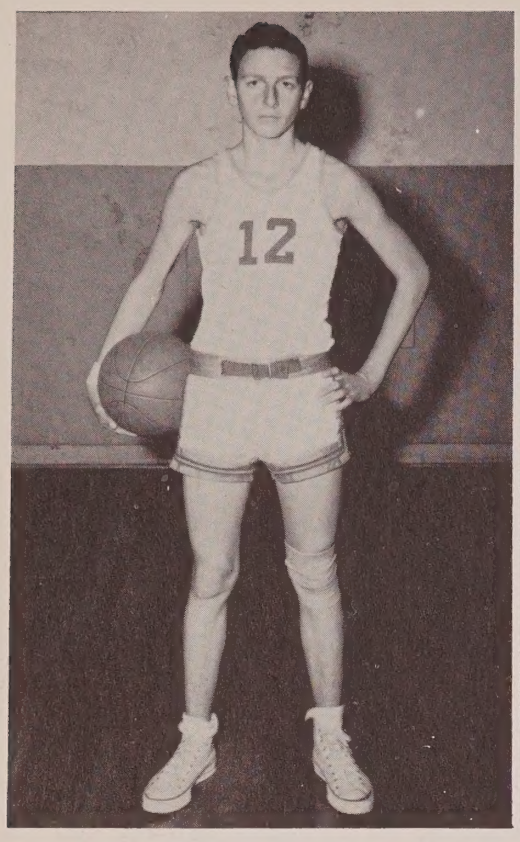
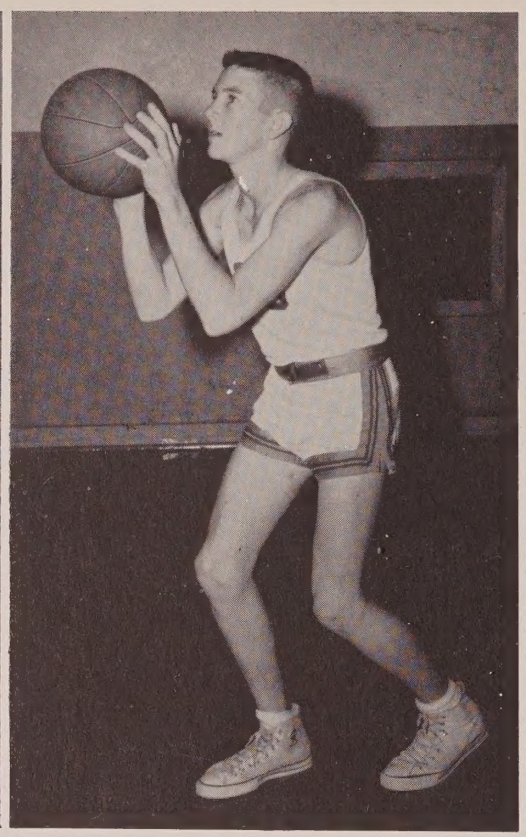


WADELL JENKINS
Guard



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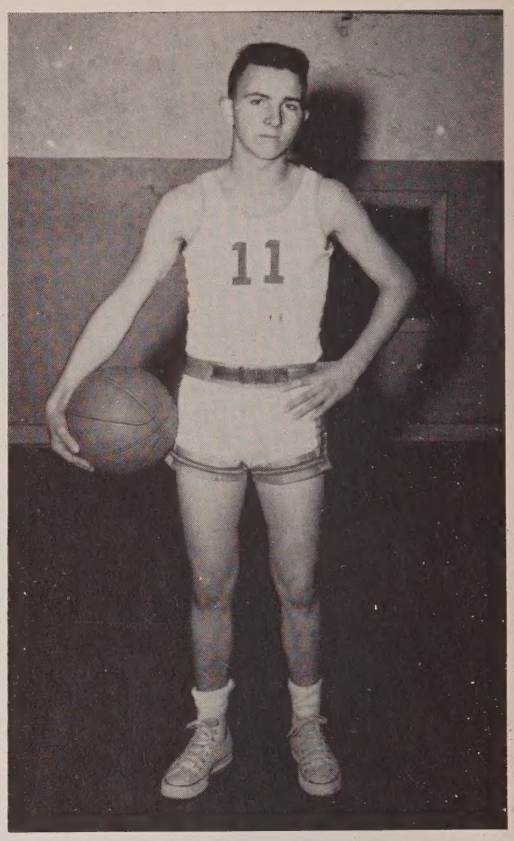


HERMAN JENKINS
Guard

Being our arch-rival, Cottondale is a team we always want to beat. This year was no exception. Before our first game with the Hornets this season, Coach had built us up and we had built ourselves up to the point where we were ready for Cottondale.

We didn't have exceptional material this year and from the first Coach stressed the fact that we would have to have a team effort to win. We had a team effort on Saturday night, January 25, when we beat Coach Hickman's Hornets.

Everybody felt good and wanted to play that night. We played an excellent defensive game, man for man. We worked the ball well on offense and rebounded off both boards. It was by far the best game we played this year and we won because we had five boys on the floor playing together.

Cottondale went on to win the State, Class "B" Championship, (which we won last year), and our having beaten them was a feather in our cap.

Among other things, because Coach Mitchell went to college with their coach, the Campbellton Wild Cats are also important Jacket rivals. And the games played with them were important ones.

However, the game against Walnut Hill in the District Tournament was a crucial game, since attending State was contingent upon our winning it. The game was nip and tuck and neither team ran off with a big lead at any time. Vernon finally got ahead and held a one-point lead till the end of the game. Through inaccurate scorekeeping and a misunderstanding, we had to play a tie and lost. Yes, lost our chance to go back to State Tournament.

Future State Champs

Members of the B-team (above) are as follows: Front row: Adron Coatney, Danny Kolmetz, Managers. Second row: Wayne Carter, Center; Daniel Martin, Guard; Larry Bruner, Forward; Willie Martin, Forward; Jame Moore, Guard; Howard Harris, Center, Forward; Jesse Tyre, Guard; Coach Mitchell. Third row: Charles Faison, Guard; Donald Boyette, Center; Preston Haddock, Forward; Doyle Carter, Forward; George Baragona, Guard; Dalton Sheffield, Guard. Fourth row: Broward Padgett, Guard; George Weekly, Forward; Loran Paul Cook, Forward; Saxton Raines, Forward; Carlton Wells, Forward; Center; Theodore Simmons, Guard; Vaughn Galloway, Forward; H. T. Waller, Guard.

The Night of Nights . . .

LINDA HIGHTOWER
Homecoming Queen

Our lovely homecoming queen for this year was Miss Linda Hightower, a senior. At half time anticipation was tremendous and hearts beat louder as last year's queen, Milbra Brock, a junior, brought the crown onto the field. As Miss Brock stopped before Miss Hightower and raised the crown to place it upon her head, the applause literally thundered from the stands.

The queen candidates were chosen by senior football players and those who will be too old to play next year. Linda Hightower was nominated by Eli Carter. Barbara McFatter, a senior, by Larry Morrell. Julaine Johnson, also a senior, was picked by Rodney Parrish. The junior girls and their sponsors were Pat Parrish, sponsored by Johnny Calhoun, and Margaret Haddock, by Jim Harrell. A sophomore, Jeanelle Todd, was the choice of Kenneth Faile. Mary E. Carter, freshman, was chosen by Tom Hammond.

The queen's float was constructed by the VHS student council. It was decorated in white. Many hours of hard work had to go into this float to make it so lovely.

Runners-up were Miss McFatter and Miss Johnson.

MILBRA BROCK
1956-57 Queen

Linda smiles happily after receiving her queen's bouquet of yellow chrysanthemums.

Queen's Float

Homecoming

Hark! Do we hear the sound of music and marching feet? Here comes the band. They lead the homecoming parade. The band was lead by Sandra Hightower, assistant drum majorette.

First prize float was constructed by the senior class. Riding the float were three senior class girls: Clara Kelly, Juanita Squires, and Anna Jo Adkins.

Following the band were the floats, representing different school organizations' interest in the game. "Beat Cottondale," "Win or Bust," and other such slogans were to be seen everywhere.

Second prize float was entered by Mrs. Sapp's section of the fourth grade. It depicted immigrants from several countries looking with longing toward the Statue of Liberty, which was portrayed by Pamalin Pennington. The countries were India, represented by Ollie Tharp; France, Ople Tharp; Spain, Shelton Coatney; Japan, Mary Owens, and America by Glenda Carter and Raymond Owens. Their slogan read: "All Nations Make America. Together We Will Make a Victory."

The float entered by Mrs. Sapp's fourth grade.

The stands were crowded that cool November night as we met our foe--Cottondale.

Fall, Fun, and

The glorious year our football team was organized was the fall of '51. We may have lost many games but our spirits rose as we won another. Our boys may have been bruised and sore but the game always went on. Spirits were sometimes low but enthusiasm soared high.

Kneeling: Adron Coatney, Manager; Dannie Kolmetz, Manager; Willie Martin, grade 11; Joe Kent, 9; Jimmy Goodson, 10; Herman Jenkins, 11; Billy Casey, 9. Standing: Coach Mitchell, Kenneth Faile, 10; Johnny Calhoun, 11; and John Paul Cook, 11.

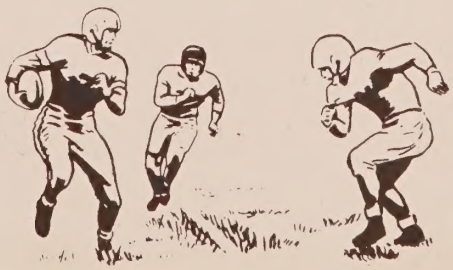
Coaches Sam Mitchell and Ray Horne.

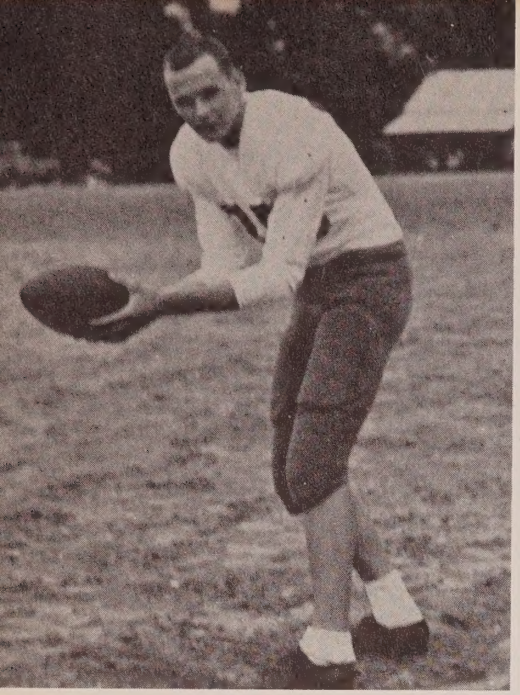
Football . . .

Sitting: Larry Bruner, 10; Joe Ferol, 9; Jesse Tyre, 11; Charles Gilley, 8; Charlie Horn, 9; Charles Simmons, Manager. Kneeling: Ronald Cook, 11; David Mitchell, 11; Daniel Martin, 10; Royce Pippin, 11; Eugene Pippin, 12; Tommy Harrell, 9. Standing: Tom Hammond, 12; Rodney Parrish, 12; Melvin Dietz, 12; Jimmy Harrell, 11; Eli Carter, 12; Larry Morrell, 12; Junior Ferguson, 10; Coach Horne.

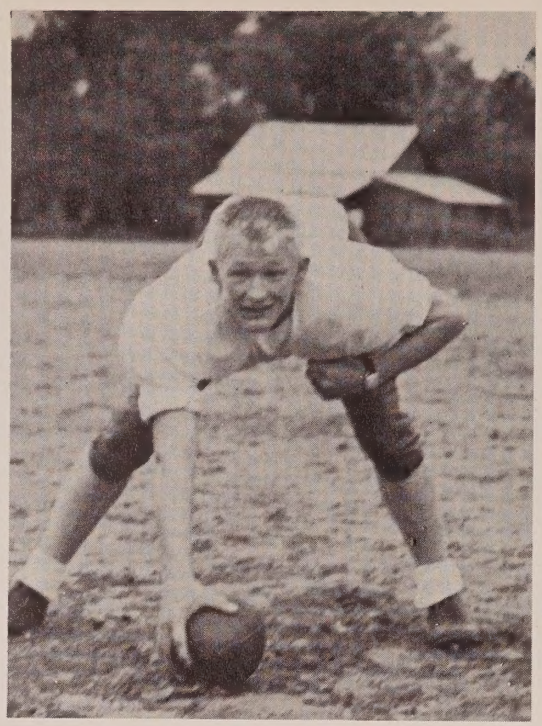
The team's best year since its beginning in '51 was the fall of '55. We had a record of 6 wins and 3 losses. Two important games played that year were against our two most eminent foes, Bonifay and Chipley. We won both games. Spirits soared for this was the first time in the history of our team that we had won a game against these schools.

The football stadium, sponsored by the Lions Club, was constructed in '53-'54. The first game played on the field was in the fall of '54. The field is constantly being improved and completed.

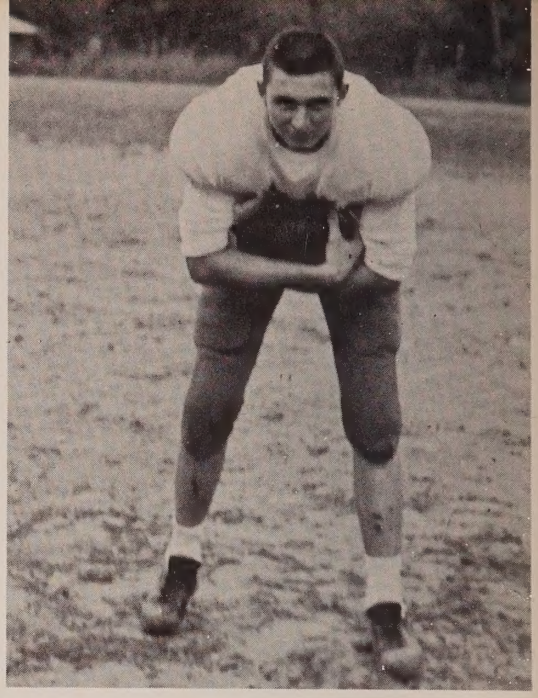




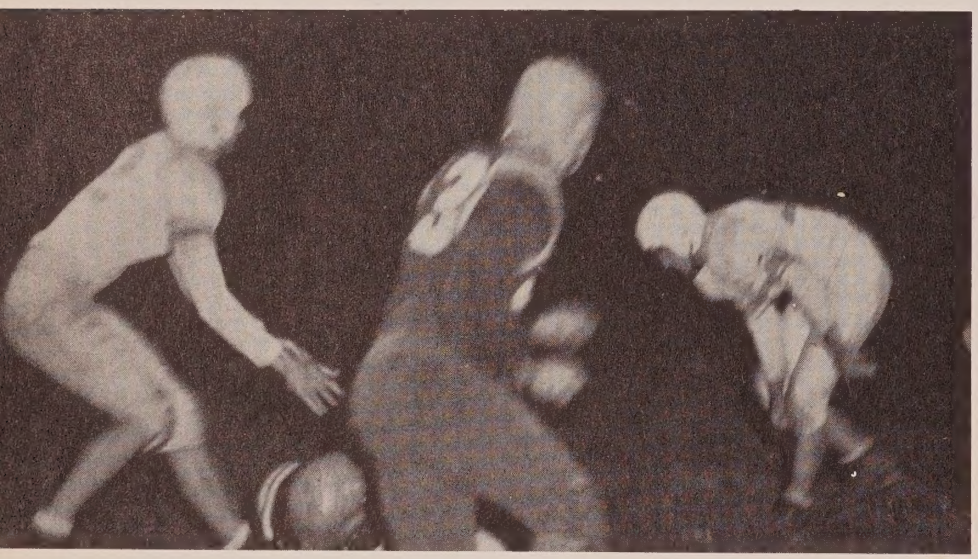
RODNEY PARRISH
Quarterback



LARRY BRUNER
Center



BUDDY DIETZ
Right Halfback

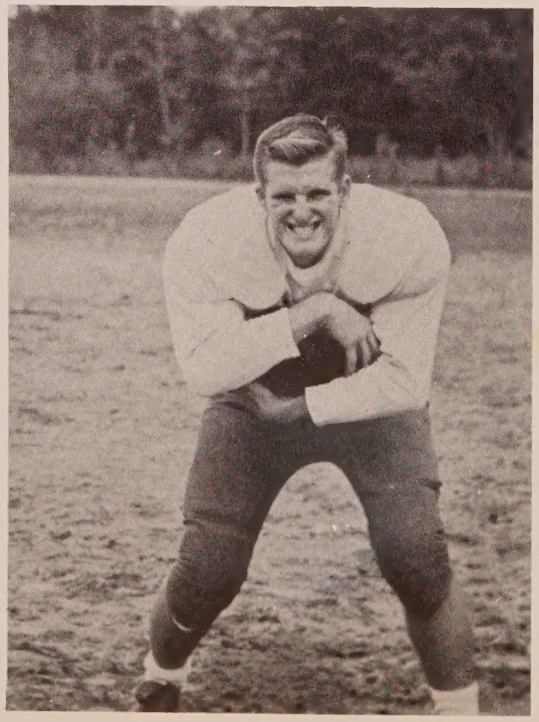


JOHNNY CALHOUN
Fullback

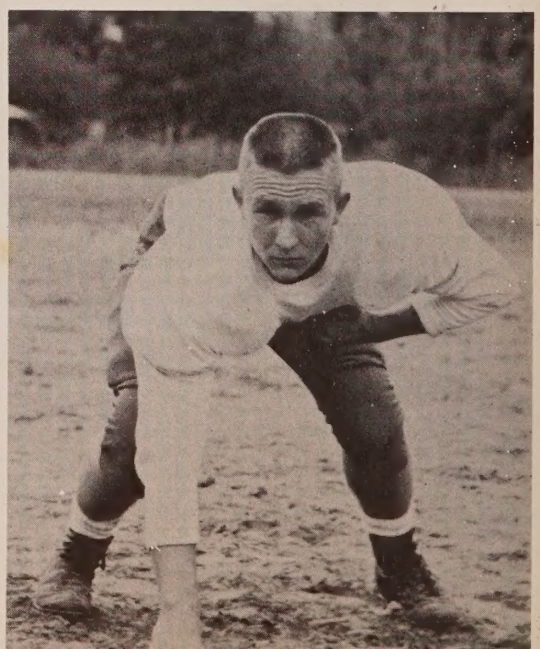
The crowds roared! The stand trembled with vibration! The opposing team was in the lead. They had just made a TD.

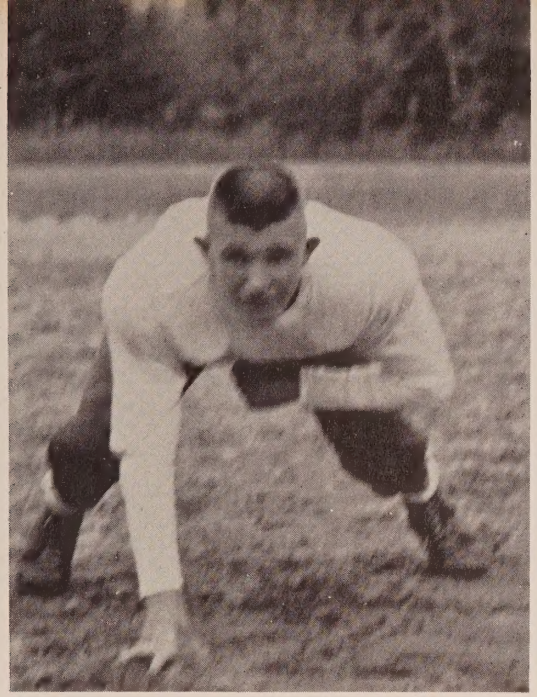
The event? Homecoming. The teams? Vernon versus Cottondale.

WILLIE MARTIN
Right Guard

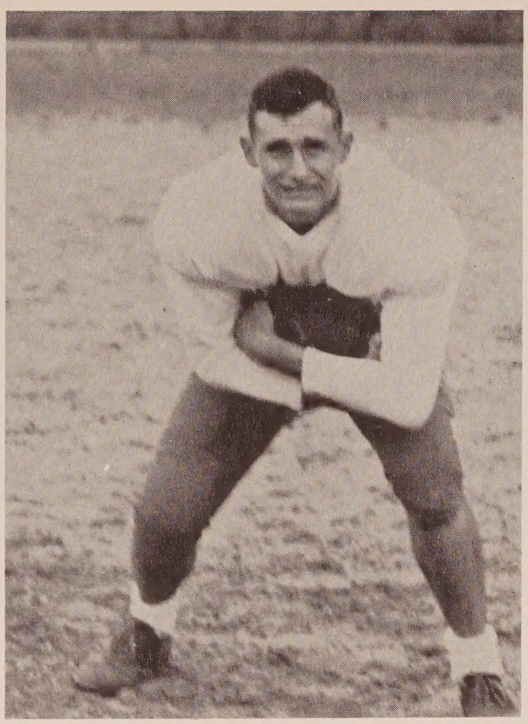


RONALD COOK
Left Guard





JESSE TYRE
Right Guard



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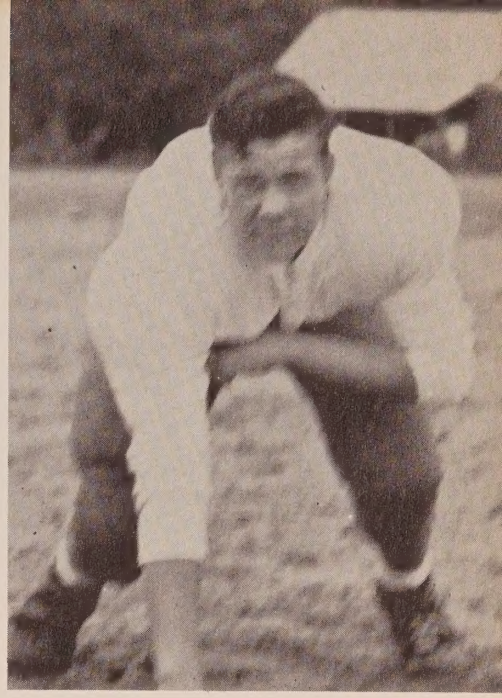


LARRY MORRELL
Left Guard

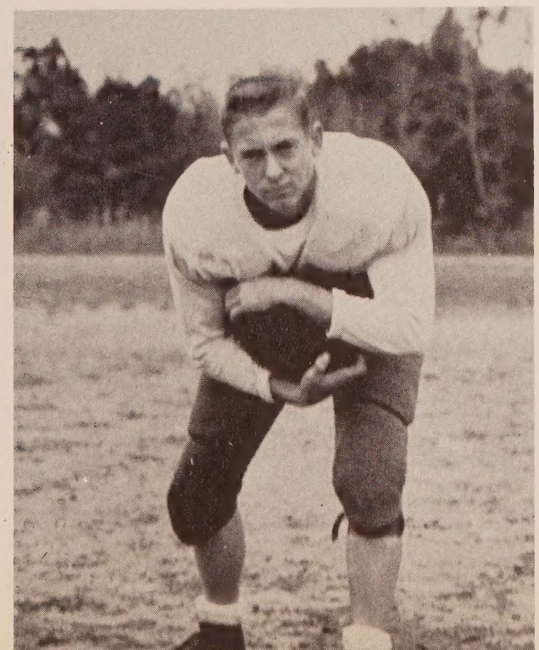
Cottondale, one of our eminent foes for years, had become an even more eminent foe because of a past coach of VHS.

He is now coaching at Cottondale and leading their team to welcome victories (welcome to Cottondale).

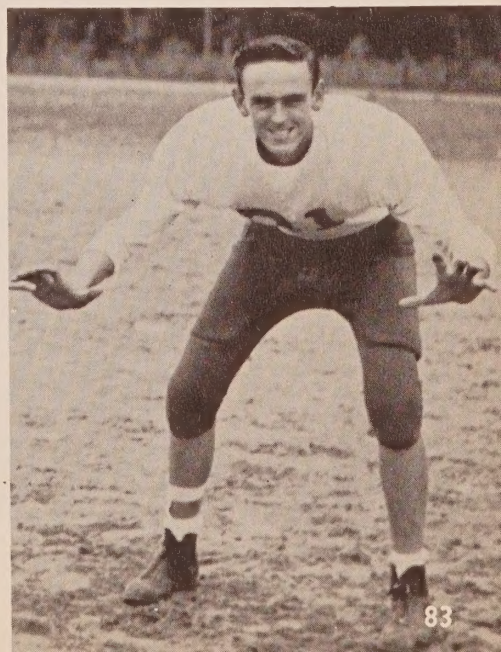
Homecoming was indeed a real success with a final score of 12-6 in Vernon's favor.

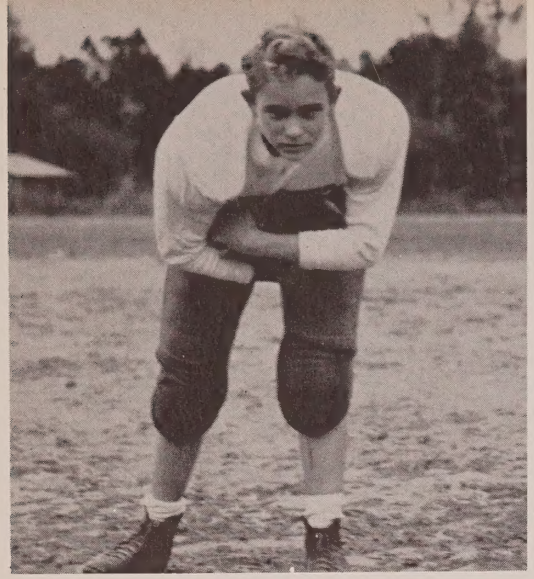
ELI CARTER
Right Tackle

ROYCE PIPPIN
Halfback



TOM HAMMOND
Left End





JOE FEROL
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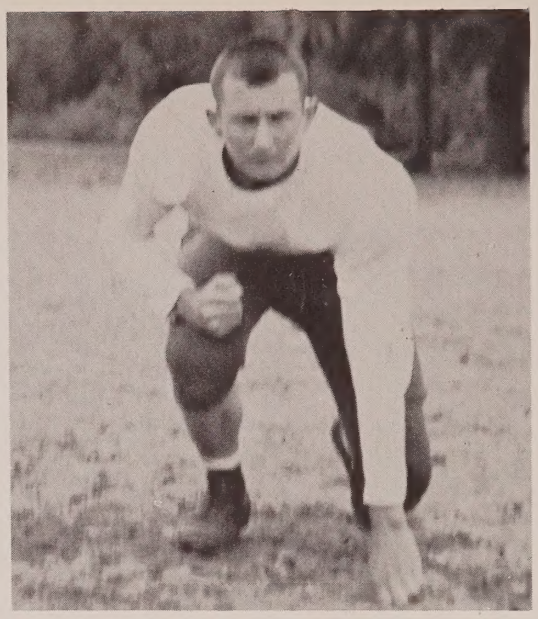

TOMMY HARRELL
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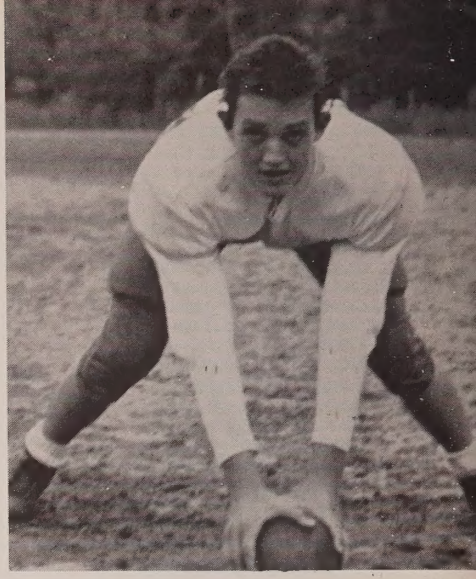
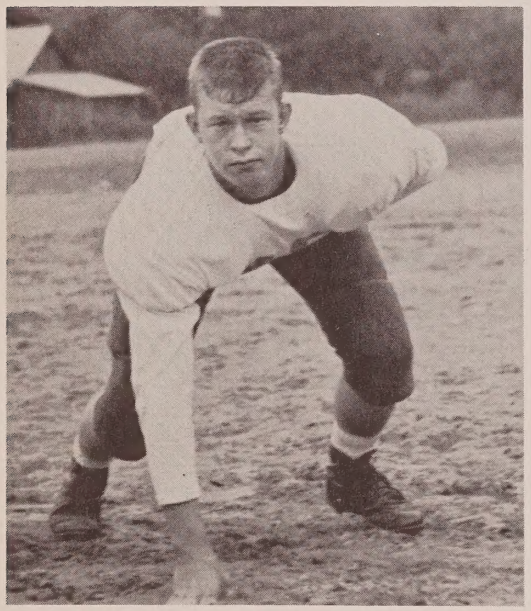


BILLY GENE CASEY
Center



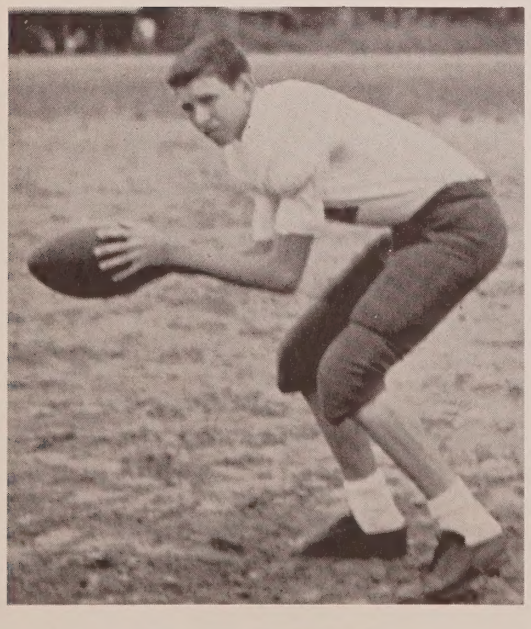
JUNIOR FERGUSON
Left Tackle

An exciting and tense football season ended with 5 wins and 5 losses for VHS. The highest score was made in the game with Blue Springs, Alabama, which was played there.

The final score was 73-0. This score made VHS lead in the Panhandle conference in scores made against opponents. We then had a total of 154.

Each man on the squad earned a chance to play. All of the backfield men made at least one TD.

VHS made 11 TD's and seven extra points were made after some of the touchdowns.



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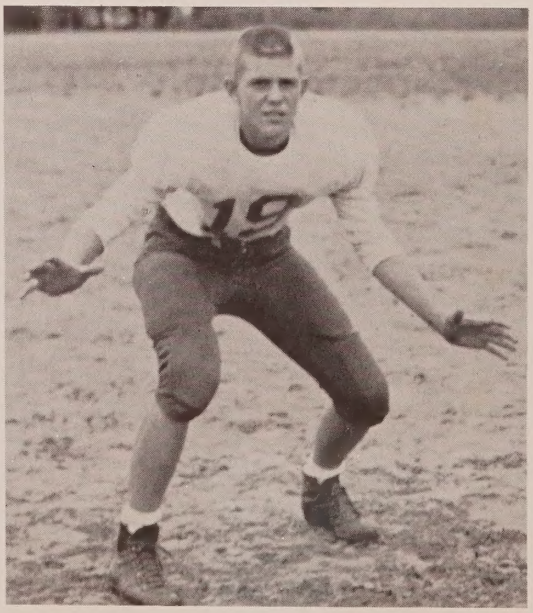

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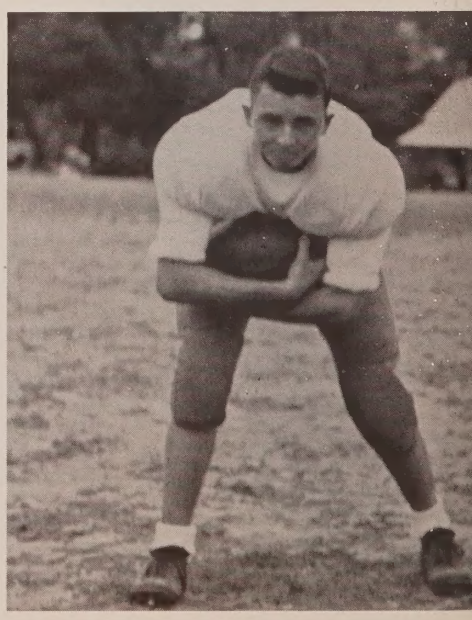
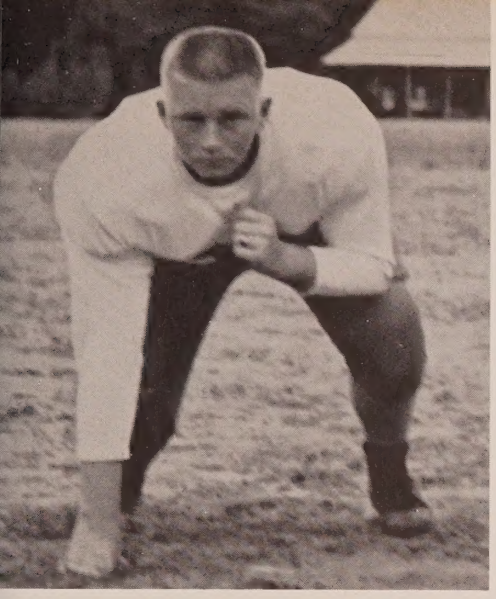
Right End



HERMAN JENKINS
Halfback



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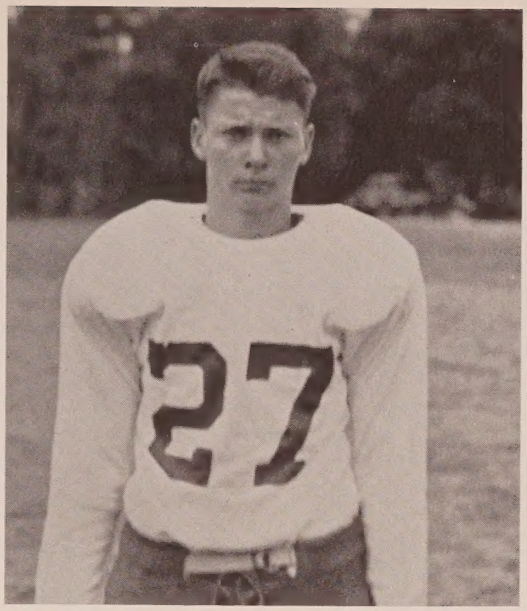

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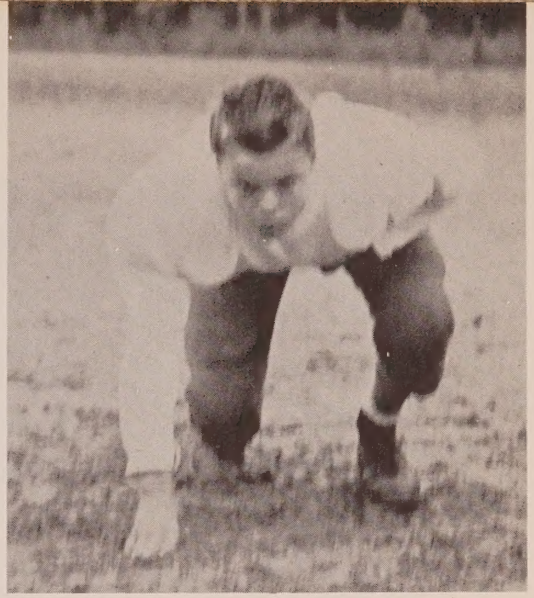

JOE KENT
Right Guard

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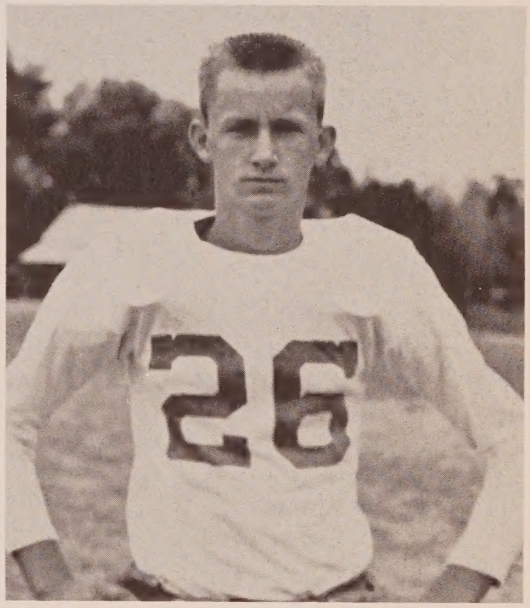
Blountstown	19	VHS	0
Brent Christian	0	VHS	47
Chattahoochee	20	VHS	0
Blue Springs, Ala.	0	VHS	73
Bonifay	30	VHS	26
Sopchoppy	0	VHS	8
Graceville	20	VHS	6
Cottondale	0	VHS	12
Altha	0	VHS	20
Coffee Springs	13	VHS	7



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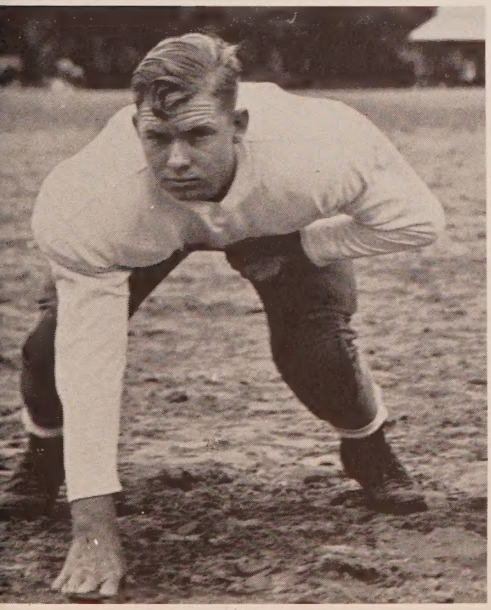

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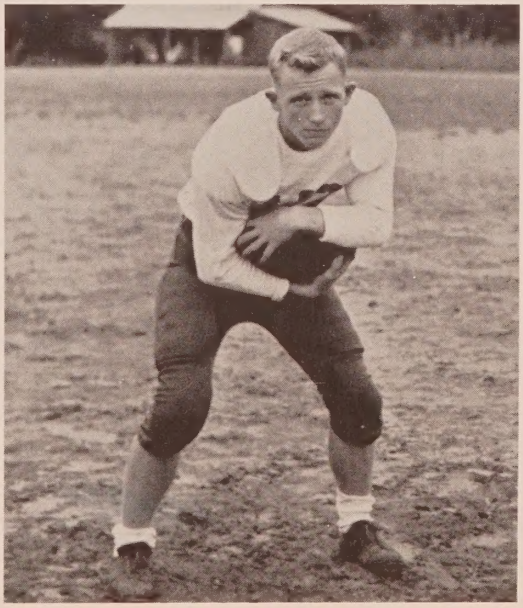
Right Tackle



DANIEL MARTIN
Fullback

CHARLES GILLEY
Left Guard

Southern View

This space has been crossed many times as we went from one building to another. We cross it to go from the main building to the gym or vocational departments.

Here is our boiler room that furnishes the heat for the elementary building and high school. The other buildings have furnaces of their own.

The auditorium where we hold our assemblies and many of pep rallies is here.

The junior play is practiced and produced here. We are all great actors, as the stage lights blind us. The applause is tremendous as our friends and we are on stage.

Here we see the elementary building that we sadly (but also gladly) left to "move up" to the high school building.

Our "Carnegie Hall" and cafeteria are on the western boundaries of the school campus. You can see them here in the background.

IN SCHOOL DAYS

Still sits the schoolhouse by the road,
A ragged beggar sunning;
Around it still the sumacs grow,
And blackberry-vines are running.

Within, the master's desk is seen,
Deep scarred by raps official;
The warping floor, the battered seats,
The jack-knife's carved initial;

The charcoal frescoes on its wall;
Its door's worn sill betraying
The feet that, creeping slow to school,
Went storming out to playing!

Long years ago a winter sun
Shone over it at setting;
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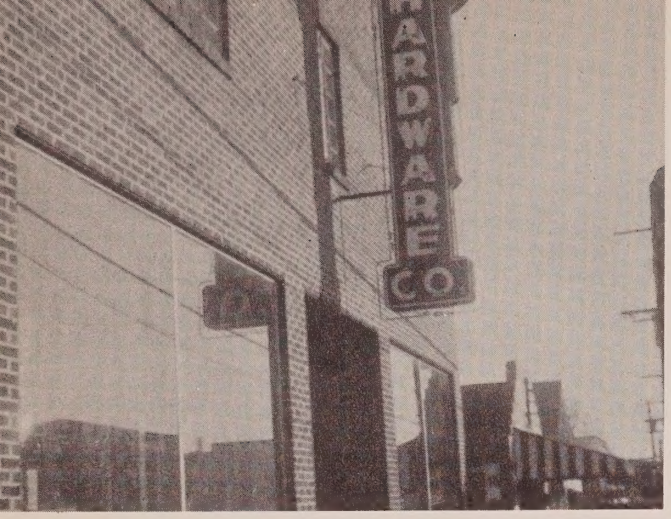

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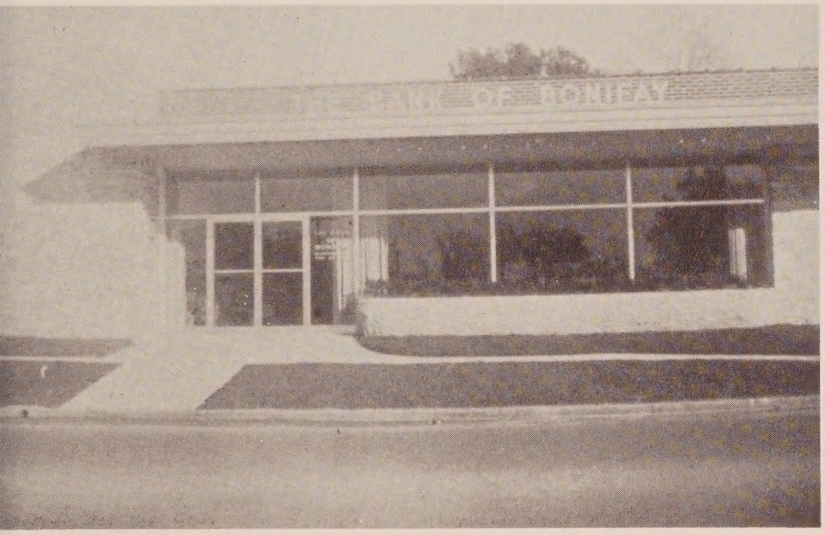

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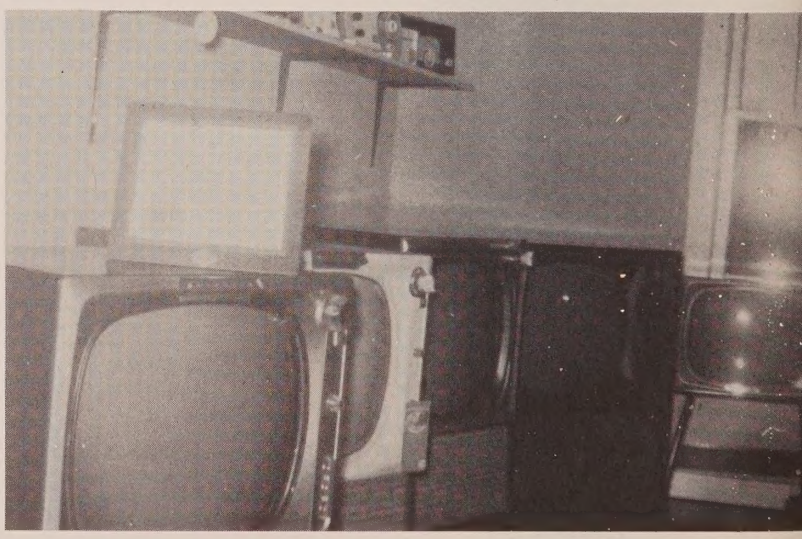

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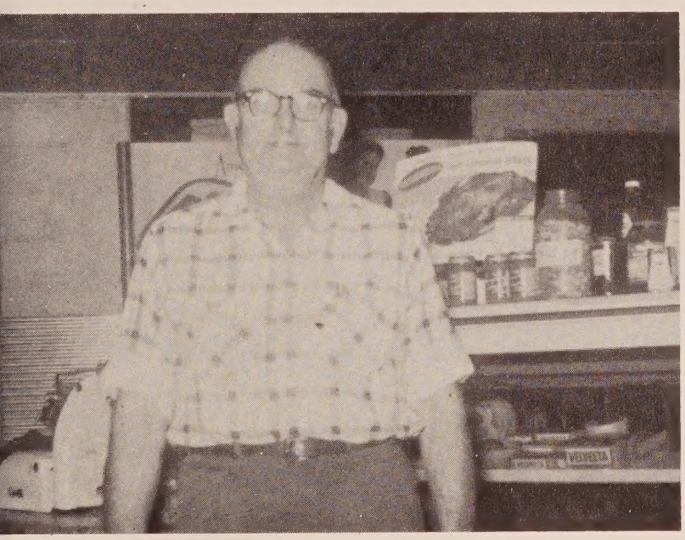

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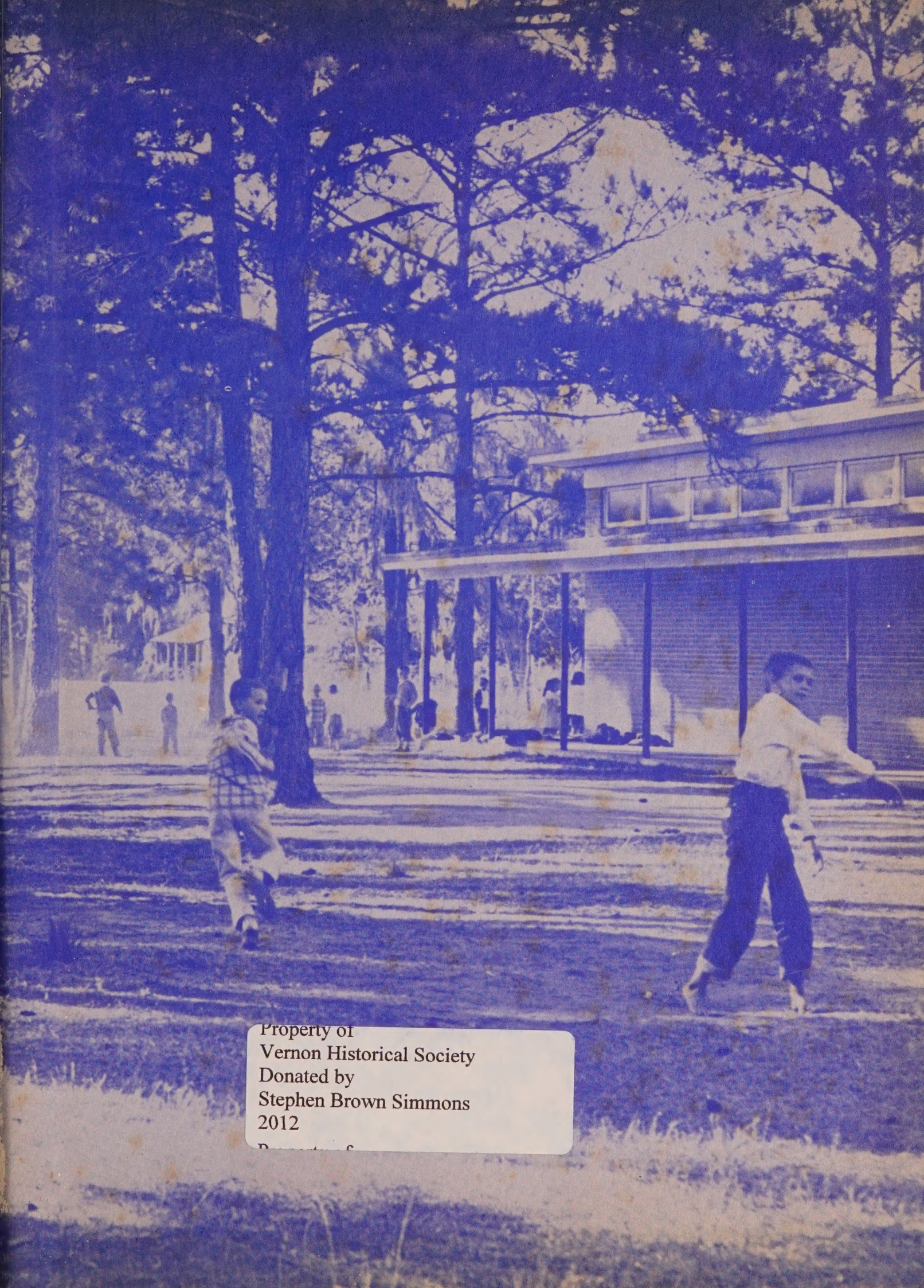

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